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## CSI head will retire

School names Jerry Beck as interim president



Jerry Meyerhoefer

By Chris Steinbach and Kain Kowalski  
 Times-News writers

TWIN FALLS — Jerry Meyerhoefer announced his plans Monday to retire on June 30 — ending his 39 years at the College of Southern Idaho, including the past 22 as

its president. Jerry Beck, CSI chief academic officer and executive vice president, has been appointed interim president by the college's board. In the meantime, CSI will conduct a national search for a new president. Meyerhoefer said, "He's been here 30 years."

Meyerhoefer said of Beck, "He's got a handle on everything we do." His supporters would say the same about Meyerhoefer, 67, who was hired by CSI founder James "Doc" Taylor in 1966 as a vocational/technical counselor. Before becoming

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## Former T.F. mayor dies at age 79

By Julie Pence  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Howard Allen, a pillar of the community and member of one of Twin Falls' founding families, died early Monday from complications due to heart surgery.

Not one to belabor issues, Allen, 79, a City Councilman of 12 years who retired from the post in January 2004, was known for his quiet yet noticeable quick, level-headed decisions.

"He'd listen for a while, but before long he'd say it was time to make a decision," said former Twin Falls Mayor Gale Kleinkopf.

"He and I might not have always agreed on things, but at least once he made a decision he stayed with it until the end," Kleinkopf said.

A former Twin Falls mayor, Allen had suffered a heart attack earlier this month while attending a grandchild's sporting event in Boise and underwent a quintuple heart bypass. After some recuperation, he was transported to Twin Falls, but he was unable to regain his strength, his niece Sonia Alexander said.

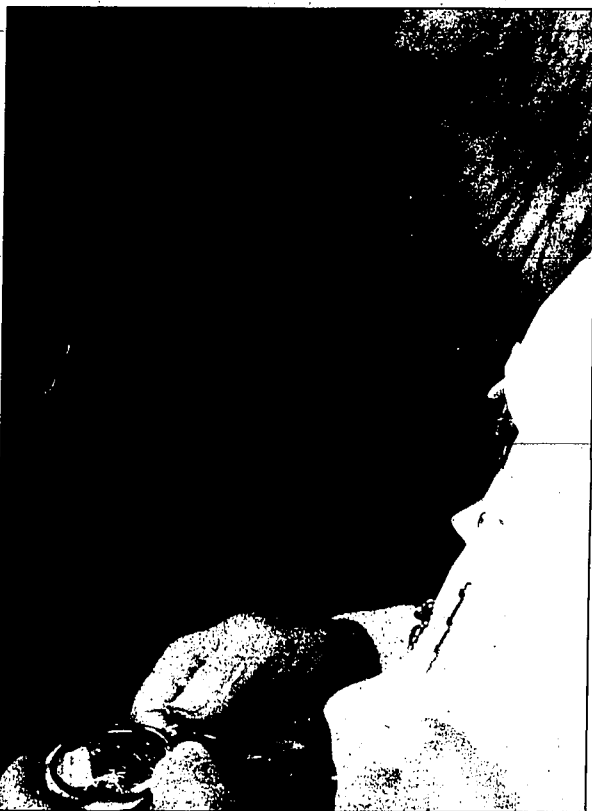
During his last day Allen had been more worried about his relatives who got out of bed in the middle of the night to come to his side as he was failing than he was about his own condition, Alexander said.

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Howard Allen

## TUESDAYS WITH TUCKER



CHRIS METZ/The Times-News

## Twin Falls man keeps downtown clocks ticking

By Candace Baltz-Smylie  
 Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Don't call him Donald.  
 His name is Don Tucker, and the soon-to-be 89-year-old will tell you why he hates the old-fashioned sounding formal name.

"When I was in school I wrote my name as Don on assignments and handed them in," he said. "But I had a teacher who would add the A-L-D to the end of my name in red pen, and then mark my grade down 10 percent."

Tucker's father took care of that with one visit to the teacher, explaining that Don isn't just a nickname. It's the only name he goes by. Several decades later when people make the mistake of calling him "Donald," they get a re-



hashing of why that's not correct — even if his old teacher thought it was.

Tucker might not like his antique-sounding given name, but that doesn't mean he steers clear of all things old. In fact, he's made quite a ritual out of winding the 88-year-old clock on the corner of the Wells Fargo Bank on Main Street in Twin Falls.

Top, taking a break from winding the mechanical clock at Wells Fargo in downtown Twin Falls, Don Tucker talks about the pocket watch he received from friend Max Phillips, former owner of Twin Falls Jewelry. Tucker has been involved in the bank's clock since 1980, and took over the weekly winding of the clock in 1988 from Phillips. Left, the master clock that controls the outside clock is housed on the second floor of the building. The clock cost \$5,000 in 1917.

back of a second-story office, where the master clock is hidden. The master clock is wound, and then so are the four "slave" clock faces on the corner of Main and Shoshone streets. For the eight years leading up to his solo gig, Tucker made the trek with his friend Max Phillips, but Tucker was the sole heir to the job after his friend's death.

"He asked me if I would wind the clock because he said I was the only person smart enough to

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## Idaho school districts turn to local taxpayers

Number of schools depending on supplemental levies is increasing

The Associated Press

BOISE — More and more of the state's 114 school districts are asking taxpayers to dig deeper into their wallets by supporting supplemental levies to pay for teachers, principals, fuel and operations.

On Tuesday, several districts including Meridian, the state's largest at 28,321 students, Twin Falls, Coeur d'Alene and tiny Deary in northern Idaho, have scheduled levy votes. They require a simple majority to pass.

Since 1995, the number of Idaho districts with these property tax levies has risen to 54 from 46. In the same period, their value jumped 51 percent to \$68 million, the state Department of Education said.

In Magic Valley, the Blaine County, Camas County, Cassia County, Jerome, Shoshone, Richfield, Minidoka County and Castelfield school districts have supplemental levies on the books this year. The Kimberly, Twin Falls, Richfield and Cassia County school districts are holding supplemental levy elections today. Jerome and Castelfield recently raised supplemental levies.

Some have criticized this expansion, saying schools should do more to trim costs and run themselves more efficiently in the face of limited dollars.

Educators say they rely on supplemental levies to pay for state and federal mandates including "No Child Left Behind," a student population that's grown by 11,000 children to 256,000 since 2000, and rising costs.

## Heart drugs may reduce cancer risk

Chicago Tribune

Researchers across the country are looking at whether cholesterol-lowering drugs taken by more than 25 million Americans might have an unexpected benefit: protection against a wide variety of cancers.

Although the results from a growing number of preliminary studies on statins are lifting hopes for a broad-spectrum drug to prevent cancer, researchers warn against over-optimism, saying more research is needed. It's much too early for people to ask doctors for statins as a safeguard against cancer, they warn.

The existing research, though promising, is not considered conclusive because it is based on reviewing historical data to check for connections between the drugs people take and their subsequent health status.

Academic institutions and drug companies are reportedly gearing up to conduct controlled clinical trials, which would directly test whether statins reduce the risk of cancer by giving the drugs to some subjects and not to others.

Statins are the most commonly prescribed class of medications in the U.S. and include Lipitor, Zocor, Pravachol, Mevacor, Lescol, Baycol, Crestor and Advicor.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Weather forecast table with columns for Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain, and numerical values for High/Low and Precipitation.

Yesterday's Weather

Table showing weather data for various cities including Boise, Pocatello, and others, with columns for High/Low, Wind, and Precip.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Breezy and cloudy with a very small opportunity for rain. High upper 50s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy, a little bit better chance of rain. Lows lower 40s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Valley rain and mountain rain and snow shower chances will increase today, becoming more likely on Wednesday. Clouds will be a moon today.

Boise: High 57, Low 36. Tonight's Lows 35 to 36.
Bonneville: High 52, Low 32.
Coeur d'Alene: High 50, Low 31.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Almanac table for Twin Falls with columns for Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, and Moon Phases.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Regional forecast table listing cities like Boise, Pocatello, and others with their respective High/Low forecasts.

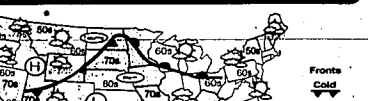
NATIONAL FORECAST

National forecast table listing cities like Denver, Phoenix, and others with their respective High/Low forecasts.

WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table listing cities like London, Paris, and others with their respective High/Low forecasts.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



NORTHERN UTAH

Early shower activity will wane through the day with some partial clearing taking place. Warmer and drier tomorrow.

WORLD'S MOST DANGEROUS SPORTS

1. BASE JUMPING: 70 at Mead, 35 at Hatch.
2. ROLLER SKATING: 45 at Pocatello, 30 at Idaho Falls.

CORRECTIONS

Correction notice regarding an article about a local business.

The Times-News

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Allen

That was typical of Allen, she said. "He always thought about others instead of himself." Allen was elected to the position during his first term.

Tucker

"I was asked me because I was the only person ignorant enough to do it." Tucker laughed. He kept smiling when he began to talk about a pocket watch he also inherited from his friend, Max.

Camas County

An article in Saturday's newspaper contained incorrect information about a school district pursuing a supplemental levy.

Stacy Blakeslee

A news item published Sunday by the Times-News incorrectly stated that Stacy Blakeslee was promoted to a new position.

Play will be held

An item in Monday's newspaper contained the incorrect location of a play held at the Filer High School.

Mail Information

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Correct Web address provided

The Web address for a Twin Falls Representative Pro Bid Legal Services was incorrect on Sunday's YourBusiness page.

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COUNCIL MEMBERS REMEMBER HOWARD ALLEN

"He was a mentor. I don't know too many other guys who would light a candle and pray for you." Elaine Steele recalled Howard Allen's impact on her.

CSU

The school's second president in 1983, Howard Meyerhoefler was director of admissions and records, assistant to Taylor and CSI vice president.

WORLDWIDE

Howard Meyerhoefler was director of admissions and records, assistant to Taylor and CSI vice president.

NATION

**Newsweek retracts story about abuse of the Quran**

NEW YORK — Newsweek magazine, under fire for publishing a story that led to deadly riots in Afghanistan, said Monday it was retracting its report that a military probe had found evidence of desecration of the Quran by U.S. interrogators at Guantanamo Bay.

Newsweek acknowledged problems with the story and the paper's editor, Mark Whitaker, apologized in an editor's note in this week's edition. The accusations spawned protests in Afghanistan that left 15 dead.

Whitaker wrote in the editor's note that "We regret that we got any part of our story wrong, and extend our sympathies to victims of the violence and to the U.S. soldiers caught in its midst."

But after the White House criticized Newsweek's response to the story, Whitaker released a statement Monday through a spokesman saying the magazine was retracting the story.

Used on what we know now, Whitaker wrote, the original story that an internal military investigation had uncovered Quran abuse at Guantanamo Bay, Whitaker said.

**Defense presents case in Abu Ghraib trial**

FORT HOOD, Texas — A letter from Spc. Sabrina Harman to the Guantanamo in Virginia, suggested that the Army reservist took pictures of detainee abuse at Abu Ghraib prison because she was opposed to the treatment and wanted to document the wrongdoing.

"At first I thought it was funny, but these people are going too far," Harman wrote to Kelly Bryant in the Oct. 20, 2003, letter, which was introduced in court during defense arguments at the trial Monday.

The defense presented its case Monday without calling Harman to the stand.

**ACLU: Federally funded program touts Christianity**

NEW YORK — The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit Monday alleging that the federal government has improperly used taxpayer dollars to fund Christian religious activities in a program called the Silver Ring Thing that uses music and comedy skills to promote abstinence among teens.

The Silver Ring Thing — which has held events in dozens of cities over the past five years — is an offshoot of the Guest Evangelistic Team, a Christian ministry. Since 2003, the program has received more than \$1 million from the Department of Health and Human Services as part of the Bush administration's plan to expand abstinence-only education.

Though many of the grant recipients have religious affiliations, they are not supposed to use the federal money for proselytizing.

**Firm will test vaccine that fights obesity**

For overweight people who've tried pills, protein diets and personal trainers, a new weight loss therapy may be on the horizon — in a syringe.

A Swiss biotechnology company is enrolling 112 obese volunteers in the first human trial of a vaccine designed to trigger antibodies the hormone, that stimulates the appetite.

The volunteers, who must have a body mass index of between 30 and 35, will receive monthly shots for six months. A controlled group will receive placebo injections, and all will be counseled on diet and exercise.

— compiled from wire reports

**Ruling could help small wineries**

NAPA, Calif. (AP) — Vintners broke out the bubbly Monday and began taking calls from East Coast customers eager to order after the Supreme Court struck down bans on out-of-state wine shipments.

In Northern California, Iron Horse vineyard co-owner Jay Sterling said her phone started ringing at 7:30 a.m. as word of the ruling got out.

"What's exciting is that this even the playing field," Sterling said.

Sterling can fill those orders just yet.

Monday's ruling means legislators in the 24 states banning out-of-state shipments will have to review their laws to make sure in- and out-of-state wineries are treated equally — and states could simply decide to ban all shipments.

Small wineries were hopeful the ruling would uncoil new markets.



Edison Young packs up boxes of wine to be shipped from Wine.com at the Internet wine retailer's warehouse Tuesday in Oakland, Calif. The Supreme Court struck down laws banning interstate wine sales.

The ruling may have the biggest impact on California, which produces 90 percent of the nation's and adjusts it. But with all 50 states producing wine in some quantities, it was expected to have a national impact as well.

It will definitely expand sales opportunities, and, just as importantly, expand the reputation of New York wines

because now people around the country will finally be able to get them," said Jim Heize, president of the New York Wine & Grape Foundation.

"It's going to be sort of a snowballing effect: Wine writers will write about our wines, consumers will try them, so the industry will make more of them and that will create more consumers on the other end."

In the 5-4 decision, the high court struck down shipping bans in Michigan and New York, saying it's unconstitutional for a state to allow in-state wineries to ship direct to consumers while shutting out-of-state wineries from doing the same thing.

Although states could respond with outright bans, Robert Koch, president of the San Francisco-based Wine Institute, pointed out that wineries in other states are not likely to favor shutting down all shipments.

**Rumsfeld defends base closings as necessary**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld on Monday defended his recommendation to close 33 major domestic bases and to shut or consolidate hundreds of smaller installations, calling the sweeping realignment essential in a time of war.

Soldiers and workers were hopeful the ruling would uncoil new markets.

The Pentagon plan would close 33 major domestic bases and to shut or consolidate hundreds of smaller installations.

"The department is in need of change and adjustment," Rumsfeld told the base-closing commission.

"The current arrangement, designed for the Cold War, must give way to new demands of the war against extremism and other evolving challenges in the world."

Remarks and pointed questions by members of the panel underscored the difficulties ahead for what commission chairman Anthony Principi called an "arduous task and assessment."

"If your proposals are accepted, they will have profound effects on the communities and people who bring them to life," Principi, a former Veterans Affairs secretary said.

Former Utah congressman James V. Hansen, a Republican, told Rumsfeld he was certain this would be the last round of closures in the face of swelling political opposition.

"I'm convinced this is your last bite of the apple," Hansen said, saying the plan would bring "a lot of pain for a lot of people."

In past base closure rounds, the commission has gone along with about 85 percent of what the Pentagon recommended.

The current panel sounded receptive to what Rumsfeld had proposed, with some misgivings about the changes targeting National Guard and reserve units — a distressing option to affected communities — and the commission to spare their facility.

Once the commission sends its plan to the president, it must be accepted or vetoed in its entirety by both President Bush and Congress.

**New study on cancer prevention sparks debate**

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A new study seems to suggest that low-fat diets can help prevent a return of breast cancer in certain women, but many specialists disagreed with the conclusions, saying other factors might have played a role.

The report created a buzz at the world's largest cancer meeting, the American Society of Clinical Oncology, where it was presented on Monday and immediately made headlines on television and the Internet.

Many previous studies have failed to find that cutting fat in the diet can prevent breast cancer, so some doctors urged caution in interpreting the new information.

"There are more questions than answers," said Dr. Eric Winz, director of breast care at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston, who had no role in the study. "What we don't want to happen is for every woman who's had breast cancer to panic if she has a 'Big Mac' test result for the other 9 out of 5 women in the study did not reach statistical significance, meaning they could have occurred by chance alone — a point the American Cancer Society noted in a statement posted on its Web site Monday.

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MORNING BREAK

# Hospice will counsel families

**DEAR ABBY:** My mother died last December from internal bleeding. Again, my sister put her on a respirator. I wanted her to be around until her family could be with her. I know that taking her off the respirator was the right thing to do. Five doctors said there was no hope. But I was looked down on by her brother and my sister. Everyone had me second-guessing myself.

My ex-husband agrees that what I did was right, because Mom wouldn't have wanted to survive with no quality of life. My father has been ill for a long time, but recently has taken a turn for the worse. I'm doing the best I can to care for him and do the right thing, but it's like dealing with my mother's death all over again.

My sister makes me feel like I'm trying to hurry Dad into the grave, but I don't feel that I am. Dad and Mom were married 51 years and has been very lonely without her.

Dad suffers from lung cancer, congestive heart failure and poor circulation because of diabetes.

My sister doesn't want to let him go, and I don't want him to linger. I want him to be happy and in peace to where he wants to be.

I have arranged for hospice and we're keeping Dad medicated for comfort. But my



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

sister thinks I'm keeping him drugged up to push him to die. I'm emotionally exhausted and tired of bickering with my sister. I'm still mourning the loss of Mom. Can you give me some words of wisdom or help?

—HEARTBROKEN IN WISCONSIN

**DEAR HEARTBROKEN:** Assuming the role of head of the family is never easy, and my hat is off to you for stepping up to the plate as you have.

Your father could not have been placed in a hospice program unless his doctor(s) agreed that he has less than six months to live.

Hospice assures that the time he has left will be spent as comfortably as possible, but it also does more than that. It offers spiritual counseling to the patient's family during their own time of need.

I urge you to discuss with the hospice about the pressure you're under, so that both you and your sister can receive some much-needed counseling and support. They can help

the both of you through this transition. You have my sympathy.

Readers, for information about hospice, contact National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization at www.nhpc.org, or call toll-free (800) 658-8898.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have three children, so our social life revolves mostly around them, our families and church. Although I am considered quite attractive, I always dress very conservatively.

My husband and I have planned a long romantic weekend getaway at a resort about 300 miles from here. I have been considering wearing some sexy outfits when we go out to dinner and to the nightclub at the resort.

Normally, I'd feel uncomfortable dressing "wild and sexy," but since it's highly unlikely that we'll run into anyone we know there, I think it would be fun.

My husband always loved it when I wore miniskirts, so I know how he would feel about it.

Can you offer your opinion? I can't ask any of my friends about this because I'm afraid they might gossip about my private life.

—USUALLY SHY IN THE NORTHEAST

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## Many presidents were named James

There've been quite a few Jims in the White House over the years. As a matter of fact, James is the most popular presidential last name there have been six so far, John and William tie for the second most popular president's name.

This day in history: The first merry-go-round recorded in history was seen at a fair in Philippopolis, Turkey, on May 17, 1620.

We call a holding cell "the doghouse." The Japanese call it "the tiger box."

Ancient Greek physicians discovered urine was sterile, so they began using it as an antiseptic. It worked so well to kill germs, it was used for many centuries as a toothpaste and dental rinse as well.

The first U.S. president to golf was William McKinley. Europeans during the Indus-

**RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS**  
Jack Mingo  
Erin Barrett

trial Revolution called emphysema and bronchitis "the English disease." Why? Because England had the most cases, thanks to "London fog" (air pollution) and a high rate of smoking and energy.

In the circus, a toilet is known as a donkey. James Rodgers, a murderer sentenced to the firing squad, was asked if he had a final request. Said he: "Why yes — a bullet-proof vest."

For the younger crowd: "SS" in a ship's title stands for "steamship."  
Other names considered be-

fore settling on Monty Python's Flying Circus included "Gwen Dibley's Flying Circus" (honoring Michael Palin's boyhood piano teacher), "Owl-Stretching Time," "A Horse, a Spoon and a Basin," "Bunn, Wacker, Buzzard, Stubble and Boor" and "The Toad Elevating Moment."

According to (human) scientists, here's the top 10 list of the most intelligent animals on earth: humans, chimpanzees, gorillas, orangutans, baboons, gibbons, monkeys, small-toothed whales such as the killer whale, dolphins, elephants.

"I am about to, or I am going to die." Either expression is used. Those were the last recorded words of Dominique Bouhours, a grammar expert.

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## Capricorn: Don't let others get you down

**IF MAY 17 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** You are poised to complete some final hurdles before your summer take off in 2008. The summer might bring some extra responsibilities that will be easy to handle, but you must be cautious about lingering loose ends that could test your patience and come back to haunt you next spring if not dealt with properly. Patience will be rewarded if you keep your eyes open for important opportunities in September and October that could affect your future in a positive way. The beginning of 2008 brings the greatest purpose and the ability to be a success at whatever passion projects your interest.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Learn to color inside the lines. Be precise about everything you do and say. No matter how many extra responsibilities appear, you will find a true-blue assistant willing to share the burden.

**TAUROS (April 20-May 20):** Lighten up and laugh. Your ability to choose tasteful items and use discretion when dealing with others is heightened. Now is the time to mend fences and gain cooperation.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Err on the side of generosity. Your flirtatiousness could be an issue only if you let emotions run away with your head. New romances need a wait-and-see attitude, as commitment is a tossup.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** You are a busy beaver but this isn't the time to go off on a wild goose chase. Quell the urge to do battle — but don't be a dishrag, either. It is best to give just as good as you get and remain faithful.

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ating surroundings and you have a winning combination. Seek assistance for tasks that could tax your time and energy.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Even with the moon in your sign you could be faced with the impatient ask or bid from those you trust and expect to receive excellent guidance. Financial planning is profitable.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Get back in someone's good graces. If enrolled in the famous program that has 12 steps, then today you would be taking step nine and seeking to make amends for past wrongdoing.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Your financial know-how can give you the edge in delicate negotiations. Present the facts and let the chips fall where they may. People who make promises fully intend to follow through.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** You look marvelous, darling. Take time out to shop for finery that sets you apart. Otherwise makes you more attractive to the opposite sex. Straight talk will put relationships right.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Hold your head up high. It is difficult for anyone to make you feel miserable when you feel worthy and proud. Take action to remain above criticism — even if it means redoing a project.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** Be a team player. You will prosper by being a cooperative member of the community rather than the maverick who sets off on his own path. Do your part to work for the com-

mon good.  
**FISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Don't jump to conclusions or be too quick to judge others. A few compliments in the right place might smooth things out. A little bird could whisper valuable information in your ear.

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WORLD

# Iraq vows to crack down as four more bodies are found

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — At least eight Iraqis were found shot near a Baghdad dam and a slain Iraqi Kurd was left in a garbage dump in northern Iraq, police said Monday, raising the number of bodies recovered in recent days to 50. The government vowed to track down those responsible, saying insurgents were seeking to exploit sectarian rivalries.

Elsewhere, a series of attacks killed at least 19 Iraqis, including nine soldiers who died when two car bombs exploded in quick succession at a crowded Baghdad market.

Anti-U.S. cleric Muqtada al-Sadr also came out of hiding Monday for the first time since his fighters clashed with American forces in Najaf and Baghdad in August, delivering a fiery speech demanding that coalition forces leave Iraq and that Saddam Hussein be punished.

Interim Prime Minister Ibrahim Al-Jaafari, meanwhile, paid a surprise visit to the home of Iraq's top Shiite leader, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, in the holy city of Najaf, al-Sistani aide Mujafer Fayssal told AP.

It was the leader's first meeting with al-Sistani since the new government was formed.

Bodies of victims were found in various areas over the weekend, from a garbage-strewn vacant lot in Baghdad's Sadr City slum to a landfill in a region south of the capital in a region dubbed the Triangle of Death.

A spokesman for al-Jaafari condemned the killings and said security forces were



Jassem Fayth cries over the coffin of his cousin Wadah al-Dulaimi, during his funeral in Baghdad's Sadr City district Monday in Iraq.

determined to catch those responsible.

The attacks "aim to create sectarian fighting in the country because such clashes could bring more recruits to (militant) groups," spokesman Laith Kubba told The Associated Press. "The government is aware of that and will not let this plan succeed."

Few details were available on

the motives behind the killings. Insurgents regularly target Iraqi security forces, government officials and others deemed to be collaborating with U.S.-led forces in the country. Others are kidnapped and killed in attempts to extort ransom. But there have also been a stream of retaliatory attacks between armed Sunni and Shiite groups.

# Gunfire continues in Uzbekistan

ANDIJAN, Uzbekistan (AP) — Gunfire persisted Monday in the eastern city where Uzbek security forces fired on protesters last week — a clash that reportedly left several hundred dead and new accounts emerged that violence in nearby towns killed hundreds more, further threatening the stability of the government in this key U.S. ally in Central Asia.

Andijan residents said government troops were fighting militants in an outlying district, but that claim could not

be confirmed. Alexei Volosevich, an Andijan correspondent for the Ferghana.ru Web site, said witnesses told him that militants fired at police from apartment buildings near the prison and that police eventually killed the assailants. There was no word about police casualties.

Troops and armored personnel carriers formed a tight circle around the city center, where the local administration building — at the center of Friday's violence — was on fire

late Sunday. Saldjahan Zaynabidinov, head of the local Appeal Human Rights Advocacy group, said Monday that government troops killed about 200 demonstrators Saturday in Pakhtabat, about 20 miles northeast of Andijan. There was no independent confirmation of his claim.

Men were digging graves, including what appeared to be a large common grave, at a local cemetery under the watch of Uzbek security agents.

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# Opposition claims major gains in Ethiopian elections

**ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia** — Ethiopia's opposition claimed major gains Monday in an unprecedentedly open parliamentary election, drawing a turnout of 90 percent, reflecting voter optimism their nation was heading toward greater democracy.

Some polling stations were completing their counts and posting results from Sunday's election, with results showing the opposition was doing well in the capital, its stronghold.

Leaders of the opposition Coalition for Unity and Democracy said that by their own count, they had won at least 59 seats across the country, including all 23 seats in the capital. The group, the largest opposition bloc, had just three seats in the departing parliament.

The ruling party, however, is expected to do well in rural areas, where 85 percent of the population lives. Nationwide provisional results are expected on Saturday and final results will be announced June 8.

## World in brief

**Defense expects Russian tycoon to be found guilty**  
**MOSCOW** — A judge reading the verdict in the most closely watched trial of post-Soviet Russia adjourned the case until Tuesday and lawyers for oil tycoon Mikhail Khodorkovsky said it appeared their client would be found guilty.

The politically charged trial, as well as the state-sponsored dismantlement of the Yukos oil company that Khodorkovsky founded, are widely seen as the Kremlin's revenge for the support that Russia's one-time richest man gave to the opposition and as a move to stifle his perceived political ambitions. He is charged with tax evasion and fraud.

Monday's adjournment was called about three hours after the judge began reading the decision.

Under the Russian legal sys-

tem, the verdict is not a simple pronouncement of guilt or acquittal but a long statement of the facts of the case before the decision is stated. It could take up to three days for the verdict to be read.

**Koreas resume talks on nuclear status after hiatus**  
**SEOUL, South Korea** — South Korea told North Korea it has spiked regional tensions by taking a key step in preparing ingredients for nuclear bombs and tried to coax the North back into disarmament negotiations, as the two sides met Monday for their first talks in 10 months.

Seoul promised a new "substantial proposal" if the North returns to the six-nation talks but declined to elaborate on the proposal. Meanwhile, the U.S. national security adviser, Stephen Hadley, warned of unspecified action against North Korea if it carried out a nuclear test — a position echoed by Japan.

— compiled from wire reports

# Israel will extend West Bank barrier

**JERUSALEM (AP)** — Israel plans to start extending its West Bank barrier around its largest settlement bloc by May 31 — construction that would in effect expand Jerusalem's boundaries and cut off Palestinians from the city they seek as a future capital, government and security officials said.

Three Jewish extremists, meanwhile, were arrested on suspicion they planned to fire a missile into the Al Aqsa Mosque, Islam's third-holiest shrine, in hopes of disrupting Israel's planned Gaza withdrawal, police said. The suspects were arrested before they could carry out their plan, police said.

They have since been released, and Israel's Justice Ministry said no charges would be filed because of insufficient evidence. Jerusalem police said the suspects had tried to buy an anti-tank missile and had searched for the best position from which to launch it.

Israel security officials have repeatedly warned that extremists could either target the mosque compound or try to assassinate Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon in a desperate bid to halt the pullback.

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## Rice: Syria upsets Iraqis by allowing terrorists in

**SHANNON, Ireland** — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice sharply criticized Syria on Monday for what she called unwillingness to close its borders to terrorists she said are to blame for some of the violence in Iraq.

"Their unwillingness to deal with the essence of their border into Iraq is frustrating the will of the Iraqi people," and leading to the deaths of innocent Iraqis, Rice said on Tuesday during a surprise trip to see Iraq's new leaders.

She said the United States will try to enlist Syria's Arab neighbors to pressure Syria to clamp down.

## Commander: Insurgency weaker than a year ago

**KABUL, Afghanistan** — Afghan insurgents are "significantly weaker" than a year ago, a U.S. commander said Monday, despite stepped-up resistance from Taliban-led rebels in recent weeks and clashes that have left dozens dead.

However, Col. Gary Check, commander of U.S. forces in eastern Afghanistan, acknowledged that the military needed better ties with local Islamic leaders to shore up its reputation after deadly riots broke out last week over a suspected desecration of the Quran at the U.S. prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

## Reporter denies having ties to al-Qaida in Spain

**MADRID, Spain** — A war correspondent with the Arab satellite television station Al-Jazeera denied charges Monday that he had close ties to the alleged leader of a Spanish al-Qaida cell accused of helping plot the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States.

Taysir Alouni, 50, who interviewed Osama bin Laden shortly after the attacks, is among 24 suspects on trial here in Europe's biggest court case against radical groups with alleged ties to the terror network.

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# COMMUNITY

Community Editor: Pat Marcantonio — 735-3288



East End Providers Bus and Pat Young have decided to retire after helping the needy in the community have a nicer Christmas for more than 20 years.

## Couple retires after years of service

By Margaret Jones  
Times-News correspondent

**KIMBERLY** — After more than 20 years spent working with the East End Providers, Bus and Pat Young have decided to retire.

Bus Young recalled the first year of the organization, when a group of Kimberly-area residents and members of the

Veterans of Foreign Wars decided to help a few Kimberly families at Christmas time. It was 1984 and there were 12 families who wouldn't have much of a Christmas otherwise, he said.

With donated food, toys that were repaired and clothes made for dolls, these families were remembered.

This past Christmas, the East

End Providers helped 189 families have a Christmas dinner and 226 children received new toys or clothing due to the generosity of many groups and people who give so willingly of their time and money, organizers say.

Bus and Pat Young said they also has sold there home north of Kimberly, but haven't decided where they will settle.

## Dare to Care wins Channel One Award

**KIMBERLY** — Dare to Care, a program at Kimberly High School dedicated to helping military families, was recognized by Channel One News, a news station broadcasted to high schools around the country.

For their hard work and generous community support, Channel One provided two students and one faculty member an all-expense paid vacation to Los Angeles, Calif., where they enjoyed three days of relaxation and a beach concert the last week of April.

Dare to Care was formed earlier this year by Kimberly High School senior Trevor Barrott and five of his closest friends: Emily Fowers, Kayla Gardner, Jayde Graham, Kody Ingler and Thomas Marvin. Together, these students put on events that raise money for military families who are struggling financially due to a missing family member serving in Iraq, the school reports. Fund-raisers have included a cobbler booth at Kimberly Good Neighbor

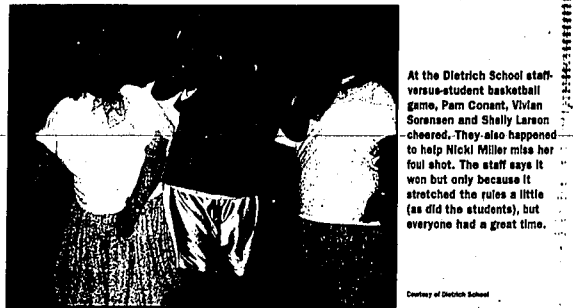


Jayde Graham and Kayla Gardner were part of the Dare to Care program honored by Channel One.

Days, a block party and several holiday parties. Founder Barrott was asked to receive the Channel One award, as well as Sharon Meeks, the faculty adviser, but both were already in California for a Business Professionals of America event. Kayla Gardner, Jayde Graham and counselor Debbie

Klub accepted the award. Barrott has been recognized with several prestigious scholarships and is featured in the latest edition of U.S. News and World Report, the school reports. Because of its popularity, Dare to Care has been adopted at other schools around the nation.

## GIVE A CHEER



At the Dietrich School staff-versus-student basketball game, Pam Conant, Vivian Sorenson and Shelly Larson cheered. They also happened to help Nicki Miller miss her foul shot. The staff says it won't but only because it stretched the rules a little (as did the students), but everyone had a great time.

## HELPING CHILDREN IN IRAQ



Rachel McAuley's sixth-grade class at Bickel Elementary School in Twin Falls show their nine boxes of donated school supplies and small items that will be sent to Iraq. Staff Sgt. Guy Hadden of the 116th Cavalry from Twin Falls will be giving these materials to Iraqi school children.

## OAKLEY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Students of the month for March at Oakley High School were, from left, Levi Walker, Daxson Hale, Spencer Peterson, Brantna Whiteley and James Cooper. Not pictured is Tyson Cramer.

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Students earn Governor's Challenge Scholarship

Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne presented 19 Governor's Challenge scholarships to Idahoans who want to further their education at an Idaho college or university or professional-technical school.

The scholarship funds are raised by the annual three-day Governor's Challenge in Sun Valley.

Golf, tennis, trap shooting and by fishing attracted 450 participants at last year's event, raising a record \$207,000 for scholarships.

The Governor's Challenge Scholarship award is renewable for four years for academic students and for the term of the chosen professional-technical program, up to three years. This year's scholarship recipients include:

Bill Dalton of Gooding, Amy Huddleston of Filer, Emily Moise of Kimberly and James Shawner of Kimberly.

### University of Idaho honors student achievers

More than 3,000 University of Idaho students were recognized for outstanding academic achievements at the 2005 UI Honors Convocation April 15,

during Mom's Weekend in Moscow.

Honors went to those who were inducted into a scholastic honor society this academic year, made the dean's list, or received an Alumni Award for Excellence last December.

All freshman and transfer students who became members of the University Honors Program also are recognized. Area UT students honored at

the event were: Buh, Michael Barker and Dalton Hannah Flatt Gooding, Adam Becker and Leah Bel Flores Hailey, Megan Lyons and Tessa Sheehan Hazlett, Sam Praegitzer Heyburn, Anthony Patterson Mountain Home, Jessica Gruver Twin Falls, Justin Doble and Delena Willis

## Community resource

### meeting set Wednesday

**HEYBURN** — The Mini-Cassia Community Resource meeting will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at Connor's Cafe, Interstate Exit 208 and Highway 27, Heyburn.

This is a no-host lunch. Presentations will be made by Bryan Matsuoaka with the Small Business Development Center at the College of Southern Idaho, and Joannette Goni with the ICAN-Idaho Community Action Network.

Next month's meeting will be June 16 with presentations by Susan Carter with the Idaho Housing and Finance Association and Nadean Smith and Faye Pothast with Positive Connections.

The Mini-Cassia Community Resource is a group of community leaders, service providers and concerned citizens meeting monthly to share information about available community resources and promoting inter-agency and inter-disciplinary cooperation throughout the Mini-Cassia area.

The focus each month is to identify unmet needs and encourage community development resources to meet those needs including ed-

ucation, training, housing, cultural, employment and health.

For more information, call Linda Castaneda at 678-5518, Kity Andrews at 878-0725, or Pam Howard at 678-7705.

### Western Days committee needs volunteers

**TWIN FALLS** — The Twin Falls Western Days Parade Committee is in need of volunteers to help with the line up and clean up with the 2005 parade.

For more information or to participate, call MaryAnn at 749-0337.

### Club seeks vendors for upcoming craft show

**PAUL** — West Minnie Middle School's Technology Student Association Club will sponsor Crafts on the Green July 9 at the school.

Vendor booths are available. Booth spaces are \$25 for 8 by 8 feet, \$35 for 10 by 10 feet and \$45 for 12 by 12 feet. Food vendor spaces are \$45. Electricity will not be available and vendors will need to supply their own tables, chairs, display boards and shade. Vendors can set up from 8 to 10 a.m. and the show will be open from 10 a.m.

to 5 p.m. For more information or to register, call Vanessa at 679-3168.

### Annual Jerome 4-H carnival takes place

**JEROME** — The annual Jerome County 4-H Carnival and Auction will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Jerome County Fairgrounds.

This fund-raiser provides the 4-H program with funds for scholarships for children to attend camps and seminars, college scholarships for seniors, leader continuing education scholarships and teen conference scholarships.

The auction will start at 7 p.m. For more information, call Jennifer Zollinger at 324-7578.

### CSI offers series of summer judo classes

**TWIN FALLS** — The College of Southern Idaho is offering non-credit judo classes for adults or children interested in learning a new skill, improving their health, or becoming more self-confident.

**Summer Adult Judo** will be tailored for students going into grades second through eighth. This class will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 31 to July 28, in Gym 236 at CSI. The cost is \$40.

For more information or to register, call 732-6290 or 732-6288.

### Kimberly Library adds books to shelves

**KIMBERLY** — The Kimberly Public Library, 120 Madison W., has added several new books to its shelves:

**Adult Fiction:** "Suspicion of Rage" by Barbara Parker, "Dead of Forgotten Man" by Robert Crais, "Pretty Woman" by Fern Michaels, "Killing Kelly" by Heather Graham, "Dead of Night" by Randy Wayne White, "The Mermaid Chair" by Sue

Monk Kidd, "Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith" by Matthew Woodring Stover, "No Place Like Home" by Mary Higgins Clark, "Full Bloom" by Janet Evanovich, "One False Move" by Alex Kava, "Songs of the Humpback Whale" and "Mercy" by Juli Picoletti, "Savage Run" and "Open Season" by C. J. Box, "Whiskers of Evil" by Rita Mae Brown and Sneaky Pie Brown, "Blood Memory" by Greg Iles, "Cut and Run" by Ridley Pearson, "True Believer" by Nicholas Sparks and "Blood Lines" by Dinah McCall.

For more information, call the library at 423-4556.

### Gooding High School hosts annual art show

**GOODING** — The Gooding High School eighth annual art show will be held from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. today through Friday and 9 to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday at the school library, 1050 Seventh Ave. W.

Guests can vote for their favorite piece of artwork.

For more information, call 934-4831.

### Free natural health course offered today

**HAGERMAN** — A presenta-

tion on natural health will be offered at 7 p.m. today in the Snake River Grill meeting room on State and Hagerman streets.

There is no fee. Instructors are Marcela Willhite, a certified natural health consultant and herb specialist, and Bob Willhite, a board-certified alternative medical practitioner.

For more information, call 352-1146.

### Empty Pockets Coin & Currency Club meets

**PAUL** — The Empty Pockets Coin & Currency Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, at the Paul City Hall.

The club will make final preparations for the annual yard sale and raffle on Saturday at 515 W. Main Street in Burley.

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## EDITORIAL

### Roadless plans warrant contribution from states

Now that the Clinton roadless rules are history, don't buy in to the dire forecasts for Idaho's 9.3 million acres of roadless national forests. Those lands are anything but doomed for drillin', choppin' and four-wheelin' mayhem.

And those who live closest to the public land usually have the greatest stake in protecting it for multiple generations. But while the states will be able to propose their own preservation plans, the final decisions still rest with the U.S. Forest Service.

**Our view:** States, land users and conservationists should be able to work together and form more inclusive forest roadless rules.

**What do you think?** We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

The roadless ban was issued early in 2001 as President Bush's decision to rescind the road ban for 58 million acres of national forests opens the door to green-roofed solutions and keeps the states involved in the conservation process.

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Idaho was one of the states most critical of the ban. The measure essentially mapped off 9.3 million acres of national forests — or about 17 percent of the entire state (which totals 53 million acres). Those 9.3 million were in addition to the 4 million acres of existing wilderness in Idaho. (Roadless areas are lands not accessible by roads, whereas wilderness areas ban logging, mining, and all motorized use.)

Critics may rail against the possibility of more timber cuts in these roadless areas, but selective forest thinning could be a wise move in regions where logging industry is still viable, and others where insects and drought has increased the fuel ladders. In addition to wildfire suppression, some new national forest roads could enhance management of watersheds and wildlife.

And then there's the case for more accessible recreational areas. Each year the Sawtooth National Recreation Area is jammed with tourists, while the national park system remains overrun with traffic. Perhaps the loosening of roadless areas is a chance to make lands more available to the common recreationalist.

Just as wilderness designations should be shaped with realistic views and contributions from many users, the state's future on roadless areas should include many ideas for road creation and road limits.

But a blanket ban, like that used by the Clinton administration, wasn't a healthy way to include all users of public lands. Bush's reversal opens the doors to a more open and inclusive process for the greater good.

### BIKING IN MARYLAND



### LOGGING IN WASHINGTON



## LETTERS

### Comics format works well in Times-News

Since I wrote that letter in January complaining about putting the little "Family Circus" cartoon on the ad pages and some funnies that are not "funny" to me, I have seen a lot of interest shown.

I thank you for giving us readers a chance to voice our opinions to the comics we prefer. I believe it has been a successful project. I want to let you know that I really like the way you are now presenting comics. We never can please everyone no matter what, but I think giving us a few new comics is a great idea. Now I have the fun of choosing which ones I want to read. And I don't even mind going to the classifieds to see some of my favorites.

Again, thank you for listening to your readers. I would like to tell you how much my husband and I enjoy the Jumble. We try to see who gets the answer first. We really like real good "exercise for our brains."

LORNA TURNER  
Burley

### Bush makes blunder on reversal of roadless rule

The Clinton-era reversal of the roadless rule for the national forests, a hugely important and popular conservation measure, has been reversed in a move that our common sense, obliterating the democratic process. The roadless rule, supported by a broad range of environmental and economic interests, was reversed in 2001.

After 600 public input meetings in 2000 (costing \$20 million in analysis time) and 4 million public comments over the last few years — 85 percent of which strongly supported the rule — it was adopted in 2001. On May 5, it was criminally destroyed — a dark and despicable day for American conservation. Not one public meeting was held while summarily liquidating the rule.

It is a disgrace that the federal forest policy decisions has been rendered absolutely meaningless. There are some excellent people in the federal forest industry lobbyist and has dutifully carried out the destructive policies ordered by King George.

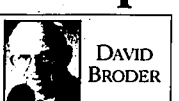
Udall also recalled that when their fellow Arizonan Barry Goldwater was the Republican candidate for president in 1964, he, as a member of Lyndon Johnson's Cabinet, avoided any personal criticism of Goldwater except in one speech — and I've regretted that speech ever since.

On both sides of the continent, good people saying good things and doing good works.

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## Shades of old bipartisanship

SEATTLE — Sometimes you find hope in unexpected places. Just when I thought I was going to get one of the rancid parliaments of so much of our politics these days, I found reason for optimism at opposite sides of the country — at the Interior Department in Washington, D.C., and at the Rainier Club here in Seattle.



DAVID BRODER

Earlier this month, Madeleine Albright, the former Democratic secretary of state, came to breakfast at the club to encourage a largely Republican group of business and civic leaders to support expansion of the Bush administration effort to spur economic development in the world's poorest countries.

A year ago, philanthropist Bill Clapp, former Governor and Senator Dan Evans, former Environment Protection Agency head Bill Ruckelshaus, prominent attorney William Gates Sr. and former Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman John Shalghakshvili formed the Seattle Initiative for Global Development, with the ambitious agenda of eliminating extreme poverty worldwide.

Encouraged by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Richard Lugar and others, they have organized similar groups in Minneapolis, Indianapolis, Portland, Ore., and San Francisco, with an office in New York City and Tampa due to be next.

Their goal, Evans said, is to have a national network ready by next spring to advocate a large increase by the United States and other nations in development assistance for the billion who live on less than \$1 a day.

Bill Center, the president of the Washington Council on International Trade, said that humanitarian considerations aside, no other investment is more likely to reduce the threat of terrorism and im-

prove the future marketplace for American goods than eliminating extreme poverty.

Albright, though critical of some aspects of Bush foreign policy, urged the group to support the "hard-headed approach" embodied in Bush's Millennium Challenge Corporation, a new publicly financed agency that will channel economic development funds to countries with rigorous plans for market-tested reforms.

Madagascar is the first recipient, with Honduras up for a vote next week and three more countries in the pipeline.

So far, the president has asked for just a tiny fraction of the \$20 billion a year the Senate estimates the United States should be spending.

That same largeness of spirit was visible a few days later, in Washington, D.C., when Interior Secretary Gale Norton opened her department's auditorium and its penthouse, with its stunning views of the federal city for a celebration of the legacy of her Democratic predecessor of the 1960s.

Stewart Udall, and his brother, the former Arizona congressman and Democratic presidential contender, Morris ("Mo") Udall.

On display at the department was a collection of Udall memorabilia assembled by the University of Arizona, and the tributes that followed Norton's warm welcome to the Udall club were genuine and unforced.

John McCain, who was taken in hand by Mo Udall when he first came to Congress, recalled their joint efforts to secure passage of the

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## LETTER

### Gov't work training cuts erode local input

When choosing which displaced workers are retrained — and how young people are trained for their first job — Gov. Kempthorne wants all decisions to be made in Boise, not in the state's six regions.

On May 11, many of these leaders protested Kempthorne's decision before the Workforce Development Council, which would make all decisions going forward. They also criticized how this deci-

sion was made: without consulting either the regions or the Legislature. The council voted 9-7 to uphold the governor's plan.

I share the protesters' concern and join in the request that the governor reverse course. These decisions should continue to be made by those most affected. It is only at the local level that all institutions which provide training — schools, colleges, businesses and non-profits — can be mobilized to do the job.

In a state as diverse as Idaho, giving decision power to one statewide body discourages local initiative, fosters un-

less than 5 percent administrative costs.

Why is the Bush administration cutting state training money at a time when international competition requires more, not less, training and education? Why is it starving state governments all across the board?

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the first Idaho program centralized in the name of Governor Brad Hund.

Government closest to the people will be sacrificed. More burdens will be placed on local property taxpayers.

If elected governor, I would protest what the federal government is doing to the people of Idaho. I would also protect and strengthen local and regional decision-making, not centralize everything in Boise.

JERRY M. BRADY  
Idaho Falls  
(Editor's note: Jerry Brady is a Democratic candidate for the 2006 campaign for governor and former publisher of The Post Register in Idaho Falls.)

Whether it is a failed foreign policy, the insane war, domestic economic policy (tax breaks for the rich and staggering national debt) or the loss of public lands, the Bush methodology is eerily consistent — that of unreeling destruction, carnage and mayhem. Whole national parks are proposed for privatization. This is the same bunch of cretins that demands you let it all take up your own public lands!

If you care where all this is headed, you had better start now. Otherwise, the quote from Arthur Welley will apply: "What is hard today is to censor one's own thoughts — to sit by and let the mad, senseless horse, riding into the bottomless abyss."

Our precious public lands and the very fabric of our democracy are in absolute peril. We have a great country. If we don't fight like mad to save you see it all. It will be gone sooner than you imagine. SCOTT PHILLIPS  
Halley

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### By Garry Trudeau



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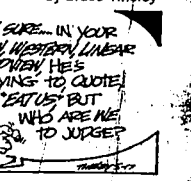
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OPINION

# Playing catch-up with straight A's

For so many years, America's economy was so dominant on the world stage, so out front in so many key areas, that we fell into the habit of thinking we were competing largely against ourselves. If we fell behind in one area or another — whether it was math and science skills, broadband capacity or wireless infrastructure — we took the view that "Oh well, we'll fix that problem when we get to it. After all, we're just competing against ourselves."



THOMAS FRIEDMAN

recently started working together by using Skype, the software, freely downloadable, so-called, that enables you to make free phone calls over the Internet to other Skype users. But what was most interesting, the student told me, was that it was the Chinese students who introduced that U.S. counterparts to Skype. And, he noted, these Chinese students were not from major cities, like Beijing, but from smaller towns.

On April 7, CNN News.com reported the following: "The University of Illinois tied for 17th place in the world finals of the Association for Computing Machinery International Collegiate Programming Contest."

"That's the lowest ranking for the top-performing U.S. school in the 29-year history of the competition. Shanghai Jiao Tong University of China took top honors this year, followed by Moscow State University and the St. Petersburg Institute

of Fine Mechanics and Optics. Those results continued a gradual ascendance of Asian and East European schools during the past decade or so. A U.S. school hasn't won the world championship since 1997, when students at Harvey Mudd College achieved the honor. The U.S. used to dominate these kinds of programming Olympics," said David Patterson, president of the Association for Computing Machinery and a computer science professor at the University of California at Berkeley. "Now we're sort of falling behind."

Earlier this week, a special report on the Indiana University High School Survey of Student Engagement, which covered 90,600 high school students in 28 states, was published.

The study noted that 18 percent of college-track seniors did not take a math course in their last year in high school — and that "more than a fifth (22 percent) of first-year college students require remediation in math."

Just 56 percent of the students surveyed said they put a great deal of effort into schoolwork; only 43 percent said they worked harder than they had expected.

Even though 55 percent said they studied no more than three hours a week, 65 percent of those students reported getting mostly A's and B's.

"Students are getting A's and B's, but without studying much," Martha McCarthy, the Indiana University professor, who headed the study, told me. "Our fear," she added, "is that when you talk to employers out there, they say they are not getting the skills they need." In part because "the colleges are not getting students with the skills they need," McCarthy said one of the main reasons Indiana did this study is to better inform high school educators what is going on in their own schools so they can find remedies. All of these shortcomings developed over time, McCarthy said, but "we as a nation became complacent about them."

America today reminds me of our last Olympic basketball team — that lackadaisical group that brought home the bronze medal. We think that all we need to do is show up and everyone else will fold — because, after all, we're just competing with ourselves.

And we think we don't need to get focused and play together like a team, with Democrats and Republicans actually working together.

Well, on the basketball court — and in a flat world, where everyone now has access to all the same coaching techniques, training methods and scouting reports — a more focused, motivated team always beats a collection of more talented but complacent individuals.

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## Former Judge William Hart will be missed

I had the good fortune to get to know J. William Hart in the late '70s. He made the world a better place for me and mine, and, no doubt, for many, many others.

So long, Bill. See you in the great hereafter.  
KYLE HARSHBARGER  
Twin Falls

## Recycling program could hit Kiwanis

Bob Dylan confirmed, "the times, they are a changing," in the '60s, but who'd think 2005's call to action would center around who is the better recycler? The Twin Falls Kiwanis recycling program is fighting a losing battle with Twin Falls City's curbside recycling initiative, and our kids may lose while the environment wins.

The City Council (myself included) has approved a mandatory curbside recycling program of the community's 11,500 residential addresses. Trash contractor PSI offered the deal to the city, and a five-year test project begins this summer to split revenues between the parties. At issue is the fate of the Kiwanis' 27-year voluntary program of collecting paper, cardboard and cans to support youth activities.

## LETTERS

Public comment has been spotty but positive for the city program, although it will cost every residence \$1.05 per month whether they recycle or not.

At today's secondary commodity market prices, yearly earnings may reach \$30,000 — but with negative consequences for the Kiwanis. Their program may not survive.

The service club is no slouch in preserving the environment. Since the program began in 1978, 14.7 million pounds of paper have been recycled, 61.5 tons of aluminum saved, 15 tons of computer paper and 60 tons of cardboard salvaged. More than \$146,000 was earned in the quarter-century and applied to youth programs. Many people driving to work in the early morning have seen good citizen-Kiwanian Elmer Haggerty collecting recyclables for the bins.

The Kiwanis recycling efforts have saved our natural resources in a big way: 125,000 trees not cut down, 31 megawatts of power available for other uses, 51.7 million gallons of water preserved, 22,000 cubic yards of landfill space not used and 222 tons of effluents not dumped into the air.

The city can have a similar positive impact with its recycling program, and I endorse it. But I will probably continue to

drive to the Kiwanis recycling bins every week and do my duty. There is no right or wrong choice if more people (read consumers) recycle.

Now, if we can find a way to keep those grass clippings from ending in the landfill!

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(Editor's note: Chris Talkington is a member of the Twin Falls City Council.)

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# Women get political rights in Kuwait

**KUWAIT CITY (AP)** — Kuwaiti lawmakers approved political rights for women Monday, clearing the way for females to participate in parliamentary elections for the first time in the Gulf nation's history.

However, fundamentalist Muslims included a requirement that any female politician or voter abide by Islamic law. It was not clear what limits

that would put on women's rights.

Kuwait's next parliamentary election is due in 2007.

The nation's Cabinet asked for the vote Monday in a surprise move after a number of attempts had been stymied by fundamentalist lawmakers.

The bill was approved 35-23 with one abstention and immediately became law.

Scores of women activists in

the gallery immediately rose to their feet in applause, with some ululating and others singing the national anthem.

"I am overexcited. I can't believe this," said activist Rola Dashti, who said she would run in the next parliamentary election. "I'm starting my campaign as of today."

Dashti said she was not worried by the Islamic law reference, saying it probably just

meant separate polling stations. "They can't impose veils on voters," she said.

The bill does not allow women to participate in next month's municipal elections.

Although Kuwaiti women have reached high positions in oil, education and the diplomatic corps, the country's 1962 election law limited political rights to men.

Women activists have for

years been pushing for the right to vote and run for parliament, but several attempts to give them political rights have been defeated.

Moussouma al-Mubarak, a political analyst and professor at Kuwait University, said the parliament approval was long overdue.

"This is the right thing to do," she said. "It is no favor from anyone."

# JUMP THE GUN ON SUMMER

We realize that summer doesn't officially start until June 21st. But in our view, it's never too early to fill the propane tank, dust off the grill, and enjoy a nice barbecued steak. To help get you in that barbecuing frame of mind, we're offering spectacular savings this week on everything you'll need to start the outdoor cooking season off with a bang—so stop by, stock up, and enjoy an early outdoor feast. Because when the smell of those juicy sirloin steaks sizzling on the grill attracts the whole neighborhood, we bet no one will even think to mention it's not officially summer yet.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Rain waters flood Albion-area roads

ALBION — Heavy rains contributed to flooding in and around Albion on Monday evening. Cassia County sheriff's dispatchers said the west side of the Albion Valley and flooding and bridges were out at 1050 East, 900 South and 800 South. Part of Idaho Highway 77 inside the city of Albion was flooded over, dispatchers said.

Sections of Basin Road between Oakley and Basin were impassable as dispatchers advised Oakley residents with basements to turn their electricity off. Parts of Birch Creek Road also flooded.

Cassia County Schools Superintendent Mike Chesley said Albion Elementary School would be closed Monday and routes will be canceled in that area.

A command post was set up at Albion City Hall to help people affected by rising waters.

Grant will help CSI nursing department

TWIN FALLS — More nursing students will be able to start classes at the College of Southern Idaho thanks to a \$100,000 grant that the college's board heard about on Monday. Claudene Buettner, the dean of health, science, and human services, said the \$100,000 grant will help address a shortage of nurses.

The grant includes \$50,000 from the Department of Labor matched by \$40,000 from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and \$10,000 from Northwest Banc Corp.

Buettner said the grant will enable the college to hire two more full-time faculty to teach licensed practical nursing and two part-time faculty to help with the Registered Nursing program.

That means instead of 40 students per year, the practical nursing program will be able to accept 60. When students finish licensed practical nursing, they can go to the registered nursing program a year ahead.

"This is a huge, huge move for the College of Southern Idaho and Terry Deane, the college's chief academic officer and executive vice president."

Barn Again committee seeks actresses

JEROME — The Barn Again committee is looking for actresses who can sing to fill the shoes of the late Jerry "The Quilters," which will be presented as part of the Barn Again festivities this fall. There are three female roles. The musical is written by Molly Newman and Barbara Damashek. It's a celebration of a life of a pioneer and her six daughters. The ladies sit on stage quilting. As the story unfolds each puts on many hats as mothers, friends, neighbors and loved ones living on the frontier through happy and sad times — fighting tornadoes, celebrating weddings, giving birth and dying. The various people's lives are stitched together as the ladies sew their quilt.

The Smithsonian-sponsored traveling celebration of American barns will be arrive in Jerome on Sept. 17 and stay for about a month. The show will be presented Oct. 6-8 at the Grande Hall at the IEARM. Lorna Irwin will be the director and she will be assisted by the musical director. Interested singers should call Linda Thompson at 324-8484.

Republican Women plan to meet Monday
TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Republican Women will meet at 1:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Monday at the Red Lion Hotel Canyon Springs, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Idaho State Attorney Lawrence Wasden will speak. The Idaho State Republican Women's meeting to be held Oct. 24-25 will be hosted by the Twin Falls unit. Details will be discussed at this meeting. Reservations for the meeting are needed and can be made by calling Joyce Grundstaff at 543-5755 Friday.

CSI's original academic dean dies

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer



Donald Keith

TWIN FALLS — Donald Keith, the first academic dean and a longtime instructor at the College of Southern Idaho, died at home on Friday. He was 72. Keith came to Twin Falls in 1954 when he started the institution that became CSI. He served as academic dean for about three years, moved on to other pursuits, then returned to CSI in 1974 where he was director of admissions and records, then an instructor, his son Larry Keith said.

Donald Keith was born July 28, 1933, in Oklahoma City,

Oklahoma, to Lawrence and Edith Keith. He graduated from Capitol Hill High School, then went on to receive his bachelor's degree from the University of Central Oklahoma. He received his master's degree in tests and measurement and his doctorate in education from the University of Oklahoma, his son said.

It was there he met James "Doc" Taylor and formed a last-

ing friendship. Keith did post-graduate work at the University of Texas and the University of Wyoming. While studying for his advanced degrees, Keith worked as teacher, counselor and assistant principal in the Oklahoma City Public Schools systems. He was later dean of students at Cameron College in Lawton, Okla., where he worked with Taylor.

In 1965, Taylor invited Keith to help him start what became CSI. Keith was the first academic dean.

In 1968 Keith became executive director for the State Board of Education. About a year later,

he became president of Lamar Community College in Lamar, Colo., for about four years. He spent a brief time as a director of community education at a community college in Columbus, Neb., before returning to CSI in 1974.

His son said his parents considered Twin Falls to be home. "We just made some good lifelong friendships here that they wanted to come back to," Larry said.

Keith became CSI's director of admissions and records, then returned to his first love — teaching.

Retiring CSI President Jerry Meyerhoefler described Keith

as an excellent faculty member. "Don was a very, very bright and energetic person," Meyerhoefler said. "I thought he was a good teacher but his father's Foundations of Education course while at CSI after many fellow students recommended it: 'I thought he was a good teacher as well,' he said. Robin Lancaster, a fifth-grade teacher at Harrison Elementary School in Twin Falls, said she had Keith for education and psychology courses. She started teaching in 1985 and Keith volunteered in her class for years, helping to teach math.

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A MODERN-DAY ANDY GRIFFITH



Randy Tremble, in front of his home in Bellevue, is leaving his post as marshal and heading to Bonners Ferry with his wife, Laurie, and sons, Randy Jr., Keaton, 10, and Jake, 7.

Bellevue marshal resigns to pursue new life in Bonners Ferry

By Jennifer Liebrum Times-News correspondent

BELLEVUE — Randy Tremble had a need, a dream and an opportunity synchronize in a way that he can only attribute to divine intervention. Bellevue's marshal for the last four years needed to get his wife, Laurie, and children closer to her parents in northern Idaho as their health began to fade. And at family suppers they often spoke of the dream of a farm that would specialize in organics.

A spontaneous visit to the Boundary County Sheriff's Department office after a recent fishing trip revealed to Tremble that he could take a job that would justify the move. It would place his wife and two sons, Keaton and Jake, closer to family, allow them to farm, and let them continue law enforcement in the style that has earned him the reputation as the head of a slightly edgy modern-day Mayberry. And it might see his wife Laurie realize her dream of opening a craft or antique store.

"It's a hard move for all of us," Tremble said recently, in uniform at his office although he technically was off for a two-week vacation. "But I felt like God was pulling my hair."

So, with a bit of reluctance, he has resigned from his position in Bellevue and will report to duty June 1 in Bonners Ferry. His wife has never seen the place, but she is peering up the house and preparing for the future. And as soon as they find the right 15 to 20 acres of land, he will begin organic farming. "We are excited and scared, but we focus on the good that's coming," Tremble said. "We are not trying to get crazy with the farm. We don't expect it to be the sole income, but I've never known a cop who didn't have a side gig."

Tremble said his "aha" moment about organics came as he watched Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's efforts in support of the development of bioeconomics in Idaho. "It's cutting edge," Tremble said. "With what I am seeing in

Idaho, we can really prosper from the organic boom and I can position myself for the need for biofuels."

Until then, Tremble will be working in the Bonners Ferry, a gateway town like Bellevue. It's a recreation haven like Blaine County, with a population of less than 10,000, major forest and agriculture. Kootenai Indian land, water sports and border issues.

It's a flashback to western Idaho, Tremble said. "There's a lot of similarities to Bellevue. There's a little bit of everything. Money is not the driving force. Community is what drives Bellevue and Bonners Ferry."

Tremble is not afraid of a challenge. He has served as Bellevue's top law enforcement officer through some tough years when drug dealing was rampant and the community saw a spate of high-profile crimes, including the 2003 slayings of Alan and Diane Johnson. Their teenage daughter, Sarah, was convicted of their murders this March.

Though Tremble draws praise from Bellevue residents for taking on drug dealers and assorted law benders, Tremble gives the citizenry all the credit for wanting to save itself.

The open "in your face" narcotics dealing was ridiculous," he said. "The people that lived here wanted zero tolerance."

The Bellevue City Council wanted community policing, and they found what they were looking for in Tremble, said Alderman Shaun Mahoney.

"I led the modern-day Andy Griffith," Mahoney says. Tremble admits he is the original redneck cop, but those who have encountered him would argue otherwise. "There are a lot of preconceived notions about who makes up Bellevue," Tremble said. "When I took over, I felt like it was imperative to identify the community. What was missing was anyone taking a hard look at who was living here. The community wanted its town back and that's what they wanted from my office. I couldn't have done it without their backing."

Juror 666 sheds light on Johnson conviction

First jury member to speak publicly denies influence by victims' family

By Patti Murphy Times-News correspondent

BOISE — A juror in the Sarah Johnson murder trial said that even though the decision to convict a doctor of first-degree murder was unanimous, the 12-hour hearing in Halley city jury had considered every scenario possible before trying and proving she didn't kill her parents.

"We all agreed on the verdict," said Leslie Fortez, of Meridian. "It was a horrible decision to come out and think a child could do this. We went through every scenario to try to prove it wrong. But she was the only one there. She pulled the trigger."

Johnson was arrested in October 2003 in connection with the killings of her mother, Diane, and her father, Alan, in their Bellevue home. Johnson was just 16 at the time of the murders and could now face life in prison.

Two months after the conviction was handed down in an Ada County courtroom, Johnson's defense team will seek a new hearing in Halley that their client deserves a new trial because jurors had inappropriate contact with the victims' relatives in the hallways and restrooms.

Fortez, who is the first juror to speak publicly about the trial, said she was shocked. "The jury did not intermingle with the family," she said. When Fortez was first called to jury duty she was juror No. 666. She said she thought, "Oh boy, I'm going to get on a case that will star for several months."

Fortez said that the entire jury still stays in touch, getting to

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Group files another lawsuit over grazing

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

BOISE — Grazing on roughly 1 million acres of public lands takes the focus in two lawsuits recently leveled by an environmental group against the federal government. On Friday, the Halley-based Western Watersheds Project filed suit against the U.S. Forest Service over the agency's grazing plan for 150,000 acres of the Sawtooth National Forest. The group claims that the Forest Service did not review the impact sheep grazing has on the forest, fish and wildlife. The Forest Service is allowing the status quo to continue in order to satisfy the interests of a

NewsTracker

- Last we knew: Environmental group Western Watersheds sued the Bureau of Land Management to halt cattle grazing in the Jaridge area.
The latest: The organization launched another lawsuit against the USDA Forest Service over sheep grazing in the Sawtooth National Forest.
What's next: Today, a district court judge will hear opening arguments in the Western Watersheds/BLM case.

Voters in several Magic Valley school districts hit polls today

TWIN FALLS — Voters head to the polls today around Magic Valley for a variety of school board races, supplemental levies and other issues.

Here's information on candidates, voting locations and when polls will be open. For specific information on school board zone boundaries, contact individual school district offices.

Twin Falls School Board
Who's running: Zone 5: Rob Atkins, Sherry Drummond
Where to vote: Morningside

Elementary: 701 Morningside Drive
When: Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Twin Falls supplemental levy
What: Voters will decide a one-year, \$12 million supplemental levy to help with the district's operating expenses.

Where to vote: Twin Falls High School, 1615 Filer Ave. E.
Morningside Elementary, 701 Morningside Drive
Lincoln Elementary, 238 Buhl St.

Elizabethton Junior High School, 2350 Elizabethton Blvd.
Robert Stuart Junior High School, 644 Caswell Ave. W.
Oregon Trail Elementary, 660 Park Ave.

Bickel Elementary, 607 Second Ave. E.
Perrine Elementary, 452 Caswell Ave. W.
Harrison Elementary, 600 Harrison St.
Sawtooth Elementary, 1771 Stadium Blvd.
When: Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Buhl School Board
Who's running: Zone 2: Don Campbell (incumbent), Jay Anderson
Where to vote: Mel and Norma Brown residence, 1643 E. 36th St., West
District Office, 920 Main St., Boise
When: Polls will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
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MAGIC VALLEY

DEATH NOTICES

Nancy Simonds

TWIN FALLS — Nancy Simonds, 87, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, May 14, 2006, at Willowbrook Assisted Living Center in Twin Falls.

A celebration of Nancy's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, May 28, 2006, at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls. Services will be officiated by Father Brian Thom officiating. Arrangements and services are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

A full obituary will appear in Sunday's editions of The Times-News and The Idaho Statesman.

News and The Idaho Statesman.

Dennis Dale Dobbs

JEROME — Dennis Dale Dobbs, 45, of Kennewick, Wash., and Jerome, died Friday, May 13, 2005, in Kennewick, Wash. A service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2005, in Kennewick, Wash. Arrangements are under the direction of Mueller's Funeral Home.

Howard Allen

TWIN FALLS — Howard Allen, 79, of Twin Falls, died Monday, May 16, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

A Memorial Mass will take place at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 19, 2005, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, with Father John Koelsch as celebrant. A prayer-vigil with rosary will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 18, 2005, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addition Ave. E., Twin Falls. Family inurnment will take place at the Twin Falls Cemetery.

The family suggests that memorials be given in Howard's name to St. Edward's Catholic School and may be mailed to funeral chapel staff or given to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, R.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303. A memorial will appear in the Wednesday edition of The Times-News.

Luis J. Cenarrusa

Luis J. Cenarrusa, 86, of Carey, died Monday, May 16, 2005. Arrangements will be made by Wood River Funeral Chapel.

Charles F. Pawson

TWIN FALLS — Charles F. Pawson, 84, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, May 15, 2005, at his home. At his request no services are planned. Cremation was under the direction of White Mortuary.

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Fairy Madarieta

HAGERMAN — Fairy Madarieta, 78, a resident of Hagerman, died Monday, May 16, 2005, at the Valley View Retirement Center in Boise.

Arrangements will be made by Demary's Gooding Chapel.

Grace Ann Biven

SHOSHONE — Grace Ann Biven, 92, a resident of Shoshone, died Monday, May 16, 2005, at Shoshone Rehabilitation and Living Center

in Shoshone. No formal services will be held at this time. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Demary's Shoshone Chapel.

Delores A. Henderson

BUHL — Delores A. Henderson, 80, of Buhl, died Monday, May 16, 2005, at Country Assisted Living.

Service information and a full obituary will be published in a later edition. Arrangements are under the direction of Farmer Funeral Chapel, 130 Ninth Ave. N., Buhl, Idaho.

OBITUARIES

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TWIN FALLS — Donald L. Keith

Donald L. Keith passed away peacefully last Friday, the 13th of May. His wife, Jo Ann, was with him to the end. Don's health began to fail at the beginning of the year and ultimately the result of multiple heart surgeries was more than Don could overcome. Jo Ann and sons are relieved that his struggle is over.

Don was born July 28, 1933, in Oklahoma City to Lawrence and Eddie Keith. He grew up there and graduated from Capitol Hill High School (class of 1951). Don was very active in school activities serving as head varsity leader and president of the pep club among other things. Don and Jo (his pet name for Jo Ann, which she never appreciated) met while in high school. They celebrated their 51st anniversary this past November.

Don dedicated his life to education, beginning with his own. He earned numerous college degrees including a master's and Doctorate of Education from the University of Oklahoma. During his post-graduate years he served as teacher, counselor and assistant principal in the Oklahoma City public school system. From there, he went on to serve as dean of students at Cameron College in Lawton, Okla. It was at Cameron College that Don and Jo's Taylor met, worked together and established a life-long friendship. In 1965, Doc Taylor called on Don to join him in Southern Idaho to start a new school that came to be known as The College of Southern Idaho.

Donald L. Keith



Several other "Oldies" like Herschel Boydston, Bill Orr and Leslie Bradley came along to help build the new school. They started the new school using the classrooms of Twin Falls High School after hours for academic studies and a warehouse building on Kimberly Road for vocational programs. Among the many people that they recruited to help establish the new school were current CSI President, Jerry Meyerhoeffer and Eddie Sutton, now nationally renowned Oklahoma State University basketball coach.

After four years—in Twin Falls—Don was ready for a new challenge. In 1968 he accepted the position of the executive director of higher education for the State of Idaho. He and the family moved to Boise where they lived for little more than a year when Don took another step up the career ladder by accepting the presidency of Lamar Community College in Lamar, Colo. After four years at that position he grew tired of the politics of ad-

Donald L. Keith



ministration. He longed to get back to the basics of education. That was the turning point in the lives of the family that would bring them back to Twin Falls—the place they considered their hometown. It was 1974 when Dr. Keith returned to CSI and Eddie eventually returned to teaching. He retired from the college in 1998.

Don enjoyed few hobbies but for many years one of those was golf. He and his golf partner, Wes Keeney (another OKC master) had what they called "cart golf"—the ability to complete a round in three hours or less. They were out the Canyon Springs golf course with their terrific pace and cussed anyone who got in their way. Another hobby that he turned into an obsession was building a cabin near Anderson Ranch Dam Reservoir. The time he and the family spent at Pine rewarded them with many life-long friendships with some of the best people on Earth. In retirement, Don contin-

ued to feed his passion for education assisting in classrooms at Harrison Elementary School. He also volunteered assisting senior citizens with income tax preparation. For many years Don and Jo Ann traveled in their RV visiting family and many times following the Golden Eagles to Hutchinson, Kansas, for the NCAA Championships.

Don is survived by his wife, Jo Ann; their two sons, Scott (Coeur d'Alene) and Larry (Seattle); daughter-in-law, Catta; and grandchildren, Heidi Jo and Alex, also of Seattle. The family would like to express their gratitude to all for the overwhelming display of sympathy, friendship and support. In keeping with Don's love for education; the family requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Dr. Don Keith scholarship fund for prospective teachers at the College of Southern Idaho.

A memorial service is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Thursday, May 19th, at Parks Memorial Funeral Home, 2251 Kimberly Road. AWARD, an informal gathering at Rock Creek lounge is planned (no host bar).

held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, at Sunset Park in Twin Falls.

Carl Lee Gergens

TWIN FALLS — Carl Lee Gergens of Twin Falls, Idaho, was granted eternal peace on May 10, 2005, at his home in Twin Falls.

Carl was born on Aug. 11, 1933, to Glenn and Clara Gergens in Yalla, Neb. The Gergens family moved to Twin Falls in 1940. Carl was still young, and he worked on their farm and attended school, until he graduated from Twin Falls High School. After graduation he attended the University of Idaho where he earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture.

Carl served proudly in the United States Army for two years, during which time he returned to Twin Falls and spent 24 years in the Idaho National Guard, acting as a medical specialist, where he rose to the rank of Sergeant First Class. After his return to Twin Falls he worked at the Williams Market, Williams Market and the 7-11 stores until his retirement in August 2003. Even after leaving his job, he was often recognized and greeted

A. Wayne Arrington

warmly by his former customers.

He was a regular attendee of the First Christian Church and enjoyed the time he spent there greatly. Carl was most at home in rooms filled with books and he amassed a huge book and record collection over the years. He often read several books in a week and spent a great deal of time at second-hand stores and used book stores finding rare and treasured books to read.

He was preceded in death by his father, Glenn; mother, Clara; and sister, Donna. He is survived by Patricia, his wife of 33 years; his son, Brian; and sister, Joan.

In keeping with Carl's wishes there will be no service. Cremation and private inurnment were under the direction of the Parks Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests gifts to the First Christian Church, 601 Stevens St., Twin Falls, Idaho, or to a favorite charity.

Gladys Kerr

BURLINGAME, Calif. — Gladys Kerr, daughter of John P. and Emma Anderson, born Jan. 21, 1924, in Preston, N.D., passed away May 10, 2005, in Burlingame, Calif.

She is survived by her brother, Arthur Anderson, sister-in-law, Lois; four nieces and nephews. Remembrances can be made to the charity of one's choice in his memory. Services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 17, at Sunset Park in Twin Falls.

Ellie, Jule, Linda and Marilyn; an uncle, Ephraim Anderson; and brother-in-law, Bob Byrd. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, John Jr.; sister, Ruth; and sister-in-law, Meg. Interment will be at a later date at Sunset Memorial Park.

Otto Platt

69 years, Florence; one son, Eugene Melvin (Patricia) Platt of Roseville, Calif.; three grandchildren, Sheila (Ovy) Lemmons of Buhl, Idaho, Corinne (Jim) Mason of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Marta (John) Platt-Johnstone of Roseville, Calif.; two great-grandchildren; a sister, Elsa Hahn of Madison, Neb.; and many nieces and nephews. Otto was thankful for all the people in his life, especially Raymond and Gwen Hahn who have helped care for Otto and Florence in recent years. He was preceded in death by his parents, Adolph and Hilda; and four sisters, Freda



BUHL — Otto Platt, a 95-year-old Buhl resident, passed away May 12, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Otto Adolph Platt was born May 8, 1910, in Hermann, Neb., to Adolph and Hilda Gerhart. His later years were spent with his family to Madison, Neb., where he received his education. In 1930 he moved to the Buhl area. Otto married Florence Kneale on Sept. 8, 1935; they began farming south of Buhl in 1937 until his retirement in 1978. Otto and Florence moved to town in 1980. He was a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church.

Surviving Otto are his wife of

SERVICES

Elizabeth Ann Farnes of Twin Falls, open house for family and friends from 3 to 6 p.m. today at her home, 136 10th Ave. N., Twin Falls (White Mortuary).

Margaret Tracy of Burley, memorial service at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Burley First Presbyterian Church, 2300 Burton Ave. (Payne Mortuary).

Bette Jean Johnson of Filer, service at 1 p.m. Wednesday at

the Filer Cemetery (White Mortuary).

Otto Platt of Buhl, graveside service at 2 p.m. Thursday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Ronald L. Filger of Burley, graveside service with urn placement will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Basin Cemetery east of Oakley (Rasmussen Funeral Home).

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# Defense says Johnson was not mature enough to testify

By Patti Murphy  
Times-News correspondent

**BOISE** — Sarah Johnson did not take the stand in own defense because she was "emotionally traumatized about the case and not capable of testifying," said Mark Rader, one of Johnson's two defense attorneys who represented her through the six-week trial that ended in March.

"You can imagine what it would be like, at that age, sitting on that stand, testifying for your life," Rader said.

Johnson was just 16 years old when she was accused of shooting her parents to death with a high-powered hunting rifle. She was 18 when her conviction was handed down two months ago.

Johnson's defense team did not feel it would be in her best interest to undergo questioning

by the prosecution due to her immaturity, Rader said.

"Besides, she has told the police several times under questioning that she didn't do it," he said. "What else could she say?"

Patrick Dunn, an investigator on Johnson's defense team, said that Johnson tends to embellish her stories, which could potentially lead to contradictory statements on the stand.

"The nature of her personality is that she expands her story, and adds to it," Dunn said. "For example, if she cuts her finger, she's cut her hand off. If she pricks her arm, she's cut her wrists. There are some variations to things she has said and putting her on the stand wouldn't be in her best interest."

The prosecution would try to convey an image of her based on her defects, he continued. "In reality, you will

never see a defendant take the stand."

Rader said Johnson's emotional growth has been stunted since her arrest in 2003.

"She stopped having a life in 2003," he said. "Put yourself in her place. You're thrown in jail with adults when you're only a kid, everyone's against you, how do you trust anyone?"

Rader said that Johnson is isolated, scared, and upset because people think she murdered her parents. "She can't understand how they think she did it," he said.

Rader is no longer being paid to help defend Johnson but is continuing to assist in her.

"I believe in her and her case," he said. "While payment is nice, and it is certainly deserved, it is irrelevant at this point."

"To walk out would be ethically irresponsible."

# Johnson Grazing

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few livestock owners, while fish and wildlife and the public suffer the consequences," said Jon Marvel, executive director of Western Watersheds.

Dr. Randy Hermann, a physician from Ketchum, joined Western Watersheds' suit, citing his concern that the Forest Service overlooked data that domestic sheep can transmit dangerous diseases to humans.

Hermann recreates in the Sawtooth National Forest frequently.

On Monday afternoon, Ed Waldapfel, a spokesman for the Forest Service, had not been notified of the lawsuit. However, he said, the agency cannot comment on matters in litigation.

Last fall, the Forest Service issued its final environmental impact statement for the North Fork Salmon River, including Fisher and Smiley creeks that are in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area and the North Fork-Boulder Creek and Baker Creek allotments that fall in the Ketchum Ranger District. That assessment was a result of a previous lawsuit filed by Western Watersheds against the Forest Service, but that suit was dismissed in a total of roughly 4,000 sheep

to graze on the four allotments at certain periods of the season.

"To comply with federal law, the Forest Service must make changes in the grazing plan that will ensure protection of fish, wildlife, vegetation, and recreation resources," said Laurie Rife, an attorney for Advocates for the West who represents Western Watersheds and Dr. Hermann in the case. "At the very least, the grazing plan for these four allotments."

In April, Western Watersheds also launched litigation against the Bureau of Land Management over permitting grazing on 800,000 acres of land in the Jarbidge district. The 30 allotments in question in that case include acres used by J.R. Simplot for his cattle grazing operation — one of the largest in the country. Western Watersheds alleges that BLM violated its own policy and increased livestock grazing before meeting standards to protect wildlife in the area. Opening statements in the case begin today.

# Keith

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"He was very loyal and dependable and the kids loved him," Lancaster said.

Keith retired from CSI in 1998.

Larry said his father was full of energy.

"He wouldn't sit still," he said. Even golf was a fast-paced and intense game with him playing.

He enjoyed that sport, building a cabin and following the Golden Edge basketball team.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Jo Ann; sons, Scott and Larry; daughter-in-law Catta and grandchildren Heidi Jo and Alvin.

In lieu of flowers the family is asking for donations to a scholarship fund in Keith's memory for prospective teachers at CSI.

A memorial service is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home at 251 Kimberly Road. An informal gathering is scheduled afterward at Rock Creek Restaurant.

Times-News writer Karla Kowalski can be reached at 735-3231 or [kkowalski@magicvalley.com](mailto:kkowalski@magicvalley.com).

# Voting

**Continued from B1**

■ **Buhl advisory election**

What: Voters can offer their opinions on whether or not the district's new high school should have a closed campus policy.

Where to vote: Mel and Norma Brown residence, 1643 E. 3600 S., Wendell District Office, 920 Main St., Buhl.

When: Polls will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

■ **Cassia County School Board**

Who's running: Zone 5: Duane Larsen, Mike H. Mathews.

Where to vote: Declo High School, 500 E. Main St., Declo; Albion Elementary School, W. Market St., Albion; Raft River Jr./Sr. High, 55 N. 1007 W. Trojan Drive, Malta; Zeldin, Nelson residence, 3717 W. Juniper Road, Juniper, Oneida County.

Almo Elementary School, Main St., Almo; Webb Brothers Dairy, 22 N. Yale Road, Raft River.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

■ **Glenns Ferry School Board**

Who's running: Zone 1: Wayne Presnell (incumbent), Geri Brenning.

Where to vote: King Hill Presbyterian Church.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

■ **Gooding School Board**

Who's running: Zone 2: Dale Thomas (incumbent), Polly Higgins (write-in); Zone 3: Kathleen Golocoechea (incumbent), Jay Thurber.

Where to vote: School District Office, 507 Idaho St.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

■ **Hagerman School Board**

Who's running:

Zone 4: Mark Henslee (incumbent); Renee Olson.

Where to vote: Prince Memorial Gymnasium, adjacent to the high school at 150 Lake St. W. Upper Salmon Power Plant, 42 Upper Salmon Road.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

■ **Jerome School Board**

Who's running: Zone 1: Bob Whitchurch (incumbent), Linda Hadam.

Where to vote: Horizon Elementary, 934 10th Ave. W.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

■ **Kimberly supplemental levy**

What: Voters will decide on a one-year, \$179,325 supplemental levy for district operating expenses.

Where to vote: Kimberly High School, 885 Center St. W.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

■ **Richfield supplemental levy**

What: Voters will decide on a one-year, \$75,000 supplemental levy to help pay for district operating expenses.

Where to vote: Richfield School Cafeteria, 555 N. Tiger Drive.

When: Polls will be open from noon to 8 p.m.

I don't think Sarah was told I love you very much," Fortez said. "She was emotionally in her own reality and wasn't able to express herself."

Fortez said she thought Johnson's self esteem wasn't very good and she was easily swayed when 19-year-old Bruno Santos came along and started paying attention to her. Santos is an undocumented Mexican immigrant who dated Johnson for three months.

Prosecutors said Johnson was driven to kill her parents because they objected to her relationship with Santos.

"It's very sad," Fortez said. "There were lots of losers in this."

After jurors reached their verdict, Fortez spent the rest of the day with her own daughter.

"There have been times when my daughter couldn't stand me, and ditto," Fortez said. "But, I still tell my kids I love them every day."

What: Voters will decide a one-year \$823,435 supplemental levy.

Where to vote: Burley High School, 2100 Park Ave., Burley; Oakley High School, 105 N. Academy, Oakley; Burley Jr. High School, 700 W. 16th St., Burley; Mountain View Elementary School, 333 W. 27th St., Burley; White Pine Intermediate School, 1900 Hilland Ave., Burley; Burley Irrigation District, 250 E. 100 S., Burley; Dworshak Elementary School, 102 E. 19th St., Burley; Ida Gold Dairy, 246 E. 300 S., Burley; Declo High School, 505 E. Main St., Declo; Albion Elementary School, W. Market St., Albion; Raft River Jr./Sr. High, 55 N. 1007 W. Trojan Drive, Malta; Zeldin, Nelson residence, 3717 W. Juniper Road, Juniper, Oneida County.

## Class of 2005 Local Grad Page Schedule

Look for your graduate in one of these publications

- Wednesday, May 18 - All Minidoka and Cassia County High Schools  
Published in the Minidoka County News.
- Thursday, May 19 - All Jerome, Gooding and Lincoln County High Schools  
Published in the Northside News, Gooding County Leader and Lincoln County Journal.
- Saturday, May 21 - All Twin Falls County High Schools and Jackpot High School  
Published in The Times News.
- Sunday, May 22 - All Minidoka and Cassia County High Schools  
Published in the South Idaho Press.
- Wednesday, May 25 - All Blaine and Camas County High Schools  
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MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

# Twin Falls looks at Auger Falls plan

By Julie Pence  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Someday Twin Falls could have one of the most breathtaking wildlife reserves in the state right at its doorstep.

The key to it lies in a plan that representatives from J-U-B Engineers unveiled from the City Council. The plan outlines how to develop some 550-acres that the city bought two years ago called the Auger Falls property.

It is located just west of the Ferrine Bridge. Plans call for treated water from the city's wastewater treatment plant to

be diverted to the property in order to further purify it as well as use it for ponds and irrigation water. By land applying the water, the city will move toward re-establishing a natural ecosystem that includes the original vegetation and indigenous wildlife before the area was seeded.

Statewide there has been a lot of interest in this plan, said Bill Block of J-U-B Engineers. Block emphasized the 59-page outline of how to develop the property is only a draft, though.

One of the main reasons for buying the property was to reduce the amount of

phosphorus the city sends into the Snake River adjacent to the property. Engineer Kirby Vickers noted, however, that the soil could become too saturated with phosphorus within five to six years if the city plans on putting about 6 million gallons a day onto the property. Though city leaders have talked about growing Poplar trees to take up the phosphorus, that practice won't be enough to take up all of the phosphorus.

That could mean there might have to be a backup plan for phosphorus reduction from the treatment plant, Vickers said. Jeff Klausman, of Intermoun-

tain Aquatics Inc., told council members their biggest hurdle in reestablishing native vegetation is to get rid of cheat grass. He recommended small pilot projects to see what method would work the best.

And David Koga and Jeremy Alnoworth of The Land Group Inc. said city leaders will have to decide at some point how to limit visitor access to the property in order to protect the sensitive habitat once it's established.

Times-News writer Julie Pence can be reached at 733-3241 or by e-mail at jpence@magicvalley.com.

# Jerome mulls purchasing LDS church-owned property

By Dixie Thomas Reale  
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — The city of Jerome is considering the purchase of land owned by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints to develop a city park.

The city is offering \$70,000 for the property located at 520 Lincoln St. N. The council will consider the matter tonight.

City Administrator Travis Rowland said the city does not have \$70,000 in this year's budget for the purchase but a letter of intent that sets Oct. 31 as the closing date will buy time so the money will become available in next year's budget.

In other business, the council will consider raising its mayor's salary. Mayor Charles Cornell now makes \$750 per month. The new proposal calls for raising that amount to \$1,000 per month, or \$12,000 annually, ef-

## Meeting tonight

The Jerome City Council meets at 7 p.m. tonight in council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A. The public is welcome.

Effective Jan. 1, 2006. The last time the mayor's compensation was increased was in 1992.

The council will consider an ordinance that would mirror state codes concerning the sale and public display of fireworks. If adopted, it would require a permit from the city for the retail sale of non-aerial fireworks, public liability and property/casualty insurance of \$100,000, and a non-refundable application fee of \$25.

Public events utilizing fireworks also would require a permit from the city, costing \$125 and liability and property/casualty insurance of \$1,000,000.

Temporary fireworks stand operators would be required to pay an additional \$25 inspection fee to the city. Violation of the ordinance would be a misdemeanor.

In 2002, the city agreed to purchase property at the Jerome Butte for the purposes of establishing a well site and paying an additional \$25 inspection fee. A formal agreement between the city and the Jerome Development Corporation formalizing that council action will be considered. The agreement sets the closing date for the real estate and water right transfer for May 31. The purchase price for the land and water right is \$210,700.

The water right is currently for irrigation purposes. The city intends to change that right to municipal use. The city is expected to drill its own well on the land and extend water and sewer lines to the butte.

# Department of Interior nominee will help Idaho, Sen. Craig says

BOISE (AP) — Former Idaho farmer Mark Limbaugh, President Bush's choice to be the U.S. Department of Interior secretary, will be a good voice for Idaho, supporters say.

"His expertise and common sense will be an asset to the administration and his intimate knowledge of Idaho is an obvious benefit to our state," Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, told the Idaho Statesman newspaper.

Bush announced his intention to nominate Limbaugh last week to be the next assistant secretary of the Interior for water and science, replacing Bennett Riley, who resigned

in December.

Once Bush formally nominates Limbaugh, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee will hold a confirmation hearing and vote whether to forward his nomination to the full Senate for approval.

If confirmed by the Senate, Limbaugh would be one of five assistant secretaries at Interior. He would be in charge of setting policy and carrying out the Bush administration's directives for the Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Geological Survey.

Since 2002, Limbaugh has been deputy commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation,

where he shepherded Interior Secretary Gale Norton's "Water 2025" initiative to help western communities deal with expected chronic water shortages during the next 25 years.

Limbaugh grew up in Fruitland west of Boise and until 1995 worked on his family's farm growing apples, plums and peaches. He was a water master of the Payette River Basin and executive director of the Payette River Water Users Association.

His familiarity with Idaho will be an advantage for the state in federal water policy decisions, said Norm Semanko, executive director of the Idaho Water Users Association.

# Searchers find auto crash victim

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — A missing Spokane Valley woman was found inside her wrecked car Monday morning in Carlin Bay area of Lake Coeur d'Alene.

Kootenai County Sheriff Rocky Watson said Christine K. Arbogast, 44, was being transported to a Coeur d'Alene

hospital. He had no information on her condition.

According to police, sometime after midnight Sunday, managers at the Wild Bar Inn, Bed and Breakfast in Harrison, Idaho, had asked her to leave because she was drunk and stumbling. Kootenai County Sheriff's Sgt. Matt Street said,

Arbogast called her husband from her cellular phone shortly after 4 a.m., saying she was lost.

"All we know is that she continued north," Street said. "She eventually said she was on a dirt road and wasn't really sure where to go, and was starting to run out of gas."

# Murder suspect caught in apparent jailbreak attempt

YAKIMA, Wash. (AP) — A man charged with killing one woman and trying to kill another has been caught in what appears to be at least his fifth jailbreak attempt, officials say.

Michael John Braue, 45, a former country western singer and songwriter known as "Cowboy Mike," picked a lock with a toothbrush and tried to escape through a crawl space in late April, Yakima County Jail officials said.

Braue, also linked to the disappearance of several women in the Pacific Northwest, damaged windows in his cell last year in an apparent but misguided escape attempt, guards said, noting that he could not have squeezed beneath the concrete pillars just outside the window.

In February 2003, prison officials said they had found evidence of three escape attempts in the time since Braue was caught in July 2001 after a high-speed chase in which he shot at law enforcement officers several times, jumped off a 40-foot bridge into the Snake River and tried to swim away.

On April 29, Braue whitened a subway toothbrush into a makeshift key, picked the lock on a hatch in the four-cell complex where he is confined by himself and slipped into a crawl space, jail security chief Art Creve said.

A guard monitoring a hidden surveillance camera missed Braue's abortive getaway attempt but saw him re-enter the cell after Braue discovered the crawl space was a dead-end access to plumbing fixtures.

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Sorenstam leaves everyone behind in win No. 60

STOCKBRIDGE, Ga. (AP) — Annika Sorenstam likes to set goals. Whether it's eyeing the Grand Slam, tying the record for most consecutive victories or trying to make a birdie on every hole, the world's most dominant female golfer usually finds a way to stay motivated.

On the only two players to win more — Whitworth and Mickey Wright (42 victories). Actually, that of the Sorenstams is going — winning six of her last seven tournaments, eight of the past 11 and 37 overall since the start of the 2001 season — Sorenstam could reach Whitworth's hallowed mark sooner rather than later.

Sorenstam has gone past all three players (the 60th win equaled Patty Berg). Rawls has a different take on things. "I've never said that before about anybody," Rawls said. "If she really says her mind to it, she can do it."

lapped the field in the Chick-fil-A Charity Championship by 10 strokes, leaving everyone in awe by her booming drives, accurate shots and impeccable putts.

With 60 career wins in just her 11th season and riding on top of the most dominating runs in already remarkable career, the 34-year-old Swede is closing in

on Betsy Rawls, who won 55 tournaments from 1951-72, never thought anyone would approach Whitworth's record.

Over the course of four remarkable rounds, Sorenstam made No. 60 one of her most dominating wins. She practical-

ly reached the green in regulation 76 percent of the time and needed only 108 putts — an average of 27 per day. She made it through three of the four rounds without so much as a single bogey on her scorecard.

SCORES AND STATS

WHAT'S ON T.V.

- Baseball: Yankees at Mariners, ESPN, 8 p.m.
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Boxing: Featherweights, Kelvin Kelley (55-2) vs. Jose Reyes (17-10), ESPN2, 6 p.m.
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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Ponderosa lessons rescheduled for May 17
BURLEY — Due to the recent weather, the start of beginner golf lessons at Ponderosa Golf Course in Burley has been rescheduled to Tuesday, May 17 at 6 p.m. Openings are still available. For more information, call 679-5730.

Temple set to join Mid-American Conference
PHILADELPHIA — Temple's football program has found a home, accepting an offer to join the Mid-American Conference, a school athletic department source said Monday.

Nicklaus marks end of career
LONDON (AP) — Jack Nicklaus said Monday the British Open will be the end of his tournament career.

The Owls were kicked out of the Big East after 15 years as failing to meet minimum requirements for membership, most notably in attendance, faculty and fielding a competitive team.

British Open champions appear to be out of the Open Course in the rotation to give Nicklaus one last chance.

The football team will play the next two seasons as independent, though the Owls will continue to have MAC teams to their schedule for those two seasons.

Nicklaus missed the cut at the Masters and said he would no longer play the Old Course in his final hole, he brushed away tears and hugged his oldest son, Jackie, who was caddy for him.

Williams and second-seeded Nicole Pietrangola had byes in the opening round as Williams plays Marrero on Tuesday.

"I expect I'll be just as emotional at St. Andrews, Nicklaus said. "I'm a sentimental old fool and I've been playing this final hole, he brushed away tears and hugged his oldest son, Jackie, who was caddy for him."

Other winners included Tatiana Panova, Jennifer Hopkins, Yuliana Fedak and Anna Chakvetadze.

Trinidad's father retires, could end son's career
SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — Former middleweight champion Carlos Trinidad said he is fighting without his father, putting his boxing future in jeopardy.

Blue courts planned for U.S. Open this year
WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — The U.S. Open will use blue instead of green tennis courts this year in an attempt to make balls easier to see for players and TV viewers.

Glazer gains control of Manchester United
LONDON — Tampa Bay Buccaneers owner Bruce Glazer took control of Manchester United on Monday by increasing his stake in the club's first soccer club to more than 75 percent.

Glazer bought more shares to take his ownership level to 75.70 percent by the end of Monday's trading. Glazer's Red Football Ltd. said in a statement to the London Stock Exchange.

Patecni final wins first Giro d'Italia stage
RAVENNA, Italy — Alessandro Patecni won the ninth stage of the Giro d'Italia on Monday, executing a perfect sprint to the finish for his first victory at this year's event.

Patecni, who set a record with nine stage wins last year, caught the 86-mile leg from Florence to Ravenna — the shortest stage excluding time trials — in 3 hours, 15 minutes, 37 seconds.

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Bobby Wolff

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SOUTH

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A K 4

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Dealer: South

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- South West North East
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2 Pass 3NT All pass

Opening lead: Diamond ace

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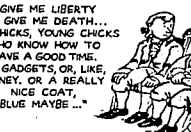
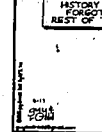
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Stocks surge as oil prices drop

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors encouraged by falling oil prices bid stocks sharply higher Monday as fears of a slowdown in spending eased.

Though oil futures settled narrowly lower, a sharp drop in crude prices earlier in the day built on last week's losses, giving investors hope that gasoline prices would fall in time for the summer driving season and consumer spending would remain strong.

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strong manufacturing growth instead.
"I would argue the stock market is probably about 5 percent overvalued," said Michael Shaddo, chief market strategist at Spencer Clarke LLC.

The Dow rose 112.17, or 1.11 percent, to 10,222.22.
Broader stock indicators also climbed higher. The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 11.64, or 1.01 percent, to 1,165.69, and the Nasdaq composite index gained 17.65, or 0.89 percent, to 1,994.43.

Bonds edged lower as stocks rose. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note rose to 4.13 percent from 4.12 percent last Friday. The dollar continued to fall against the euro, while gold prices fell. The drop in oil and other

commodity prices sent investors looking for bargains in other sectors. Including the long-dormant technology sector. And that helped the Nasdaq, which has lagged behind the other major indexes, to gain ground.

"We're definitely seeing strength in the Nasdaq, in particular, and that's healthy sign for the market," said Michael Shaddo, chief market strategist at Spencer Clarke LLC.

Merger and acquisition activity remained strong as corporate America continued to express its optimism about the economy by pursuing deals. United Parcel Service Inc. added \$103 to \$73.18 after it announced an agreement to acquire smaller rival Overnite Corp. for \$1.25 billion in cash—a 48 percent premium on Overnite's \$50.75 share price.

McDonald's tests new french fry oil

CHICAGO — Healthy french fries might seem like an easy sell, but McDonald's is trying to make good on an almost 3-year-old promise by testing a healthier blend of oil for its signature fries at a small number of restaurants.

The company would not disclose the location or number of restaurants at which it is testing the cooking oil.

A company spokesman said it is gauging customer feedback but wouldn't say what the response has been.

"We're continuing to test in a small number of restaurants," McDonald's spokesman Walt Riker said Monday. "It's important for our customers and we'll continue to test to get it right."

McDonald's in September 2002 vowed to switch to a new oil that would have the level of harmful trans fatty acids in its fries.

But it delayed those plans in February 2003, citing product quality and customer satisfaction as priorities.

Riker said the company has been testing a new frying process in a small number of stores ever since.

Trans fat, it is produced when manufacturers add hydrogen to vegetable oil — a process called hydrogenation. It raises the body's level of artery-clogging cholesterol.

The Oak Brook, Ill.-based company already has reduced the amount of trans fat in its Chicken McNuggets, Crispy Chicken and McCicken sandwiches, Riker said.

Briefly in Money

UPS to buy trucking firm for \$1.25 billion in cash

ATLANTA — UPS Inc., the world's biggest shipping carrier, is buying trucking company Overnite Corp. for about \$1.25 billion in cash as it continues to expand its heavy freight delivery business.

The deal announced Monday marks UPS' largest single acquisition ever, and follows the Atlanta-based company's decision last week to spend \$24 million to build and equip five regional freight hubs at airports around the United States.

The new hubs will allow UPS to ship freight weighing more than 150 pounds using more of its own planes. Similar to the Overnite purchase will allow UPS to deliver heavy freight in its own trucks rather than contracting out that service as it has done previously.

Last December, UPS bought Menlo Worldwide Forwarding, an air freight business in Redwood City, Calif., which has helped it expand into time-definite guarantees — on heavy freight.

Shipping heavy freight has been a small percentage of UPS' overall business, but now the company is seeking to make it a bigger emphasis, Riker says.

Like Memphis, Tennessee-based FedEx Corp., air freight, UPS believes there is growth opportunity in delivering heavy freight on a

'time-definite basis. Under the deal, Overnite stock will receive \$43.25 for each share, representing a 46 percent premium to Overnite's closing price of \$29.58 on Friday.

Microsoft launches final version of desktop search

REDMOND, Wash. — Eager to gain some ground in the battle to help people find their computer files, Microsoft Corp. launched the final version of its desktop search software on Monday.

The free software is part of the MSN Search Toolbar Suite, which Microsoft introduced several months ago as a test version.

That version lets computer users search not only by file names but also by the contents of documents, e-mails, calendar entries, pictures and PowerPoint presentations.

The new version expands the types of files supported and lets users customize how the program sorts different files — by date, size, author or sender, among other options.

"You can really ask and dig the results any way you want," said Justin Omer, product manager for MSN Search.

The new search engine has become an incredibly competitive field. Yahoo Inc., Google Inc. and America Online Inc., among others, have similar products already out in testing. — compiled from wire reports

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on whether IPO investors can forget the +100% share-churning similarities in deal structure and instead focus on the strength of the underlying pure and wood products business, say observers.

"It remains to be seen" whether Boies' IPO will receive the market drubbing that some recent large offerings have suffered, said Sal Morozzo, who tracks IPOs for Cantor Fitzgerald LP in Los Angeles. The recent failure of Lazard and Warner Music don't bode well, but this is a market of very individualized deals. (Investors) still rely hip to valuations on deals."

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: NYSE, DJIA, S&P 500, NASDAQ, etc. showing market indices and their changes.

MARKET SUMMARY

Table with columns: NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, showing market activity and volume.

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Table with columns: NASDAQ, showing individual stock prices and changes.

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Table with columns: Name, Div, PE, Last, YTD, showing local stock prices.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET BOOM

When you see a stock price rising, it's not necessarily a sign of a market boom. It could be a sign of a market crash.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Table with columns: American Stock Exchange, showing stock prices and changes.

MARKETS

CLOSING FUTURES

Table of closing futures prices for various commodities including wheat, corn, soybeans, and oil. Columns include contract name, price, and change.

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Table of closing futures prices for various bean contracts, including soybean meal and soybean oil.

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Table of closing futures prices for various grain contracts, including wheat, corn, and soybeans.

CHEESE

Table of closing futures prices for various cheese contracts, including cheddar and American cheese.

POTATOES

Table of closing futures prices for various potato contracts, including Idaho potatoes.

SUGAR

Table of closing futures prices for various sugar contracts, including raw sugar and refined sugar.

MEATS

Table of closing futures prices for various meat contracts, including pork, beef, and lamb.

NEW YORK (NY) - Butter futures trading on the New York Stock Exchange

Table of closing futures prices for various New York market contracts, including butter and milk.

LIVESTOCK

Table of closing futures prices for various livestock contracts, including hogs, cattle, and sheep.

METALS/MONEY

Table of closing futures prices for various metal and money contracts, including gold, silver, and copper.

NEW YORK (NY) - Futures trading on the Chicago Board of Trade

Table of closing futures prices for various New York market contracts, including oil and natural gas.

NEW YORK (NY) - Futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange

Table of closing futures prices for various New York market contracts, including energy and metals.

SOYBEAN OIL

Table of closing futures prices for soybean oil contracts.

SOYBEAN MEAL

Table of closing futures prices for soybean meal contracts.

WHEAT

Table of closing futures prices for various wheat contracts.

CORN

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Table of closing futures prices for various wheat contracts.

Savers

Continued from D2. While he described the results... The agency said, though, that it is still ironing out details of how a split would operate.

FOSSIL FUELS

NEW YORK (AP) - Futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange... The market for oil and natural gas futures saw significant volatility.

Potatoes

Continued from D1. As a restaurateur such as McDonald's... The Idaho potato industry is still trying to adjust to a decline in demand.

MUTUAL FUNDS - A large table listing various mutual funds, their assets, and performance metrics.

# COMICS

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

GOOD GRACIOUS, OL' JOHN IS REALLY BOOKING IT.

YEAH.

MUST BE LADIES' NIGHT AT "CLUB TURK."

**Baby Blues** By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

DID THEY ALL LIVE SUPPLIN' OVER HERE?

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSE TO MEAN!

ARE WE REALLY SUPPOSE TO BELIEVE THAT THESE PEOPLE WERE TOTALLY HAPPY FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES?

NO PROBLEMS? — AND BAD HAIR DAYS? NO BEE STINGS? NO SPAIN INFECTIONS?

WELL, IT IS A MORTAL RISK.

WELL, I LIVE MY EVERY TALES BELIEVABLE!

**Baldo** By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

WELL, IT'S ALMOST MORNIN'! MY DAD'S GONNA FREAK!

DUDE, I CAN'T SEE TWO FEET IN FRONT OF ME.

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?? WE'RE LATE!!

WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO LOOK AT FEET!

**Boete Bailey** By Mort Walker

YOU'RE A "LIGHT BULB CHANGER"!! THATS ALL YOU DO!

YEAH, THERE ARE LOTS OF LIGHT BULBS IN CAMP.

I GOTTA FIND A JOB LIKE THAT.

I'M VOLUNTEERING FOR TOILET PAPER REPLACER.

GET OUT OF HERE.

**Blonde** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

SHAME ON YOU FOR CHEWING MY SLIPPER! SHAME! SHAME! SHAME!

OH, STOP IT! I TOLD YOU I WAS SORRY!

**The Bom Loser** By Art Sansom & Chip

IT IS A SOBERING THOUGHT...

THESE ARE THE PEAK YEARS OF HIS PRODUCTIVE POWERS!

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

MY NEW SUV USES OILS FOR FUEL. IT SEEMED LIKE A GOOD IDEA BUT NOW I CAN'T FIND ENOUGH OILS.

YOU'LL HAVE TO START BREEDING YOUR OWN OILS.

THAT'S WHAT I FIGURED.

THE "HILARIOUS CONCLUSION" TO THIS COMIC HAS BEEN DEEMED OFFENSIVE. IF YOU MUST KNOW HOW IT ENDS, GO TO DILBERT.COM

**The Elderberries** By Phill Frank and Joe Troise

DUSTY CONTACTS CLIENTS FOR THE ELDERBERRIES "CANADIAN DRUGS"!!

I need 100 hits of Celebrex.

No problem. Cost you half what you pay locally, plus a 10% surcharge.

Bone.

I'll need your prescription and the cash.

I'll bring it to your home, Dusty.

NO!

Come to the laundry room... knock twice... and say "I asstey-clean there!"

I'm better with you. First I got the laundry... knock... how many times?

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

OH, GAWD! I BROKE MY RIGHT NEB! IT'S SUCH A PAIN! I LOVE IT.

I CAN'T BELIEVE SHE FELL! SHE USED TO BE THE STAIRS AT HER'S PARQUETS' PLINGS... AND AT MY MOM'S.

KIDS FALL DOWN DENNA... NO UNIFORMS... NO KIDNAPING... NO FALLS OF THE BLUES!

TAKE SOME OF THE BLUES... BUT NOT ALL OF IT.

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

SO MUCH FOR HOME BARBERING.

I THOUGHT I DID A PRETTY GOOD JOB.

**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

CLIMBING THESE LADDERS CAN BE VERY DANGEROUS. SO I HAVE A QUESTION.

DO YOU HAVE PROPERTY OWNERS INSURANCE?

**Hi and Lo** By Chance Browne

WHO'S THAT LADY I'VE BEEN COMING BY YOUR PLACE LATELY, MR. WAWERING?

THAT'S MY GIRLFRIEND!

SHE ISN'T EXACTLY A "GIRL."

ANY WOMAN IS YEAER YOUNGER THAN ME IS A GIRL!

**Classic Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

TRUE! FALSE! TRUE! FALSE!

THIS ISN'T A "TRUE OR FALSE" TEST, SIR. IT'S MULTIPLE CHOICE...

IT'S TOO LATE NOW...

TRUE! FALSE! TRUE! FALSE!

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

Okay, zebra tough... Leetun. Maybe we no smart enuff to not catch you yet. But now all dat change.

How DO YOU FIGURE?

Because dis is Larry. He top crackable Sicutant. He speak hours in lab mayten top secret crackable code. Now we talk each other and you no know what said. HAHA. Show heem, Larry.

...Where-o the-o go-o?

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

WHAT HAVE YOU GOT THERE, NELSON?

IT'S GRAMPING! IT'S A TRAVELER'S MAGNIFIER. IT MAKES THINGS LOOK REALLY, REALLY BIG.

HE SAID IF I LOOKED AT YOUR WRINKLES THROUGH THIS THEY WOULD LOOK LIKE THE GRAND CANYON.

OH, HE DID, DID HE? AND WHERE IS GRAMPA NOW?

HIDING.

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

I DON'T THINK PEOPLE APPRECIATE ME FOR WHO I AM.

THAT'S TOO BAD.

SO WHO ARE YOU?

SOMEONE WHO NEEDS A LOT OF UNDESERVED APPRECIATION.

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketcham

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**THE FAMILY CIRCUS** By Bill Keane

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"I think Kitycat purred PJ to sleep."

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

GET EVERYTHING IN WRITING. OTHERWISE, YOU'LL END UP BEING AND LIVING IN A CAVE ON TOP OF A MOUNTAIN.

**Strange Brew** By John Deering

YOU CAN'T WIN THIS ARGUMENT, BOB! ABSTRACT PAINTING HAS BEEN USURPED BY A RETURN TO CLASSIC REPRESENTATIONALISM! SURE, THERE'S AN ELEMENT OF RETRO-IRONY, BUT LIFE DRAWING HAS EXPERIENCED A RESURGENCE?

WHAT TRUCKS TALK ABOUT? WHO'S NO ONE ELSE'S BUSINESS?

"MA'AM, WHAT THIS GARDEN NEEDS IS A CACTUS AND A FEW TUMBLEWEEDS."